

Scott Files for Governor; 17 in Marion House Race

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Taft Beaten 56-31 in Attempt to Cut ERP



By Charles A. Sprague

The American people do not fully realize what they are facing in this split world. They have been accustomed to creature comforts. In fact their civilization has largely grown up around enjoyment of material things. They do not realize that their comforts are in danger. They still think they may eat their cake and have it too.

In the late war there were minor sacrifices. Meats were not abundant, nor gasoline. Travel by stage or railroad was crowded. The people endured those as brief discomforts of wartime. As soon as the shooting ended they wanted to throw off restraints and expected to have all they had before—and more.

The future, though, is not without its grim aspects. Another war would have a quick-freeze to a lot of satisfactions in living now enjoyed. The present cold war if prolonged may grow expensive and burdensome, as more and more materials and energies are diverted into military preparations or to bolster those whom we want as allies. Will Americans pay the price?

Just now we have the rate between prices and wages. Workers expect and demand not just the same standard of living, but an improved standard of living. But goods cannot be enjoyed unless first they are produced. And if less time is given to production; or if more time and equipment are devoted to military or foreign purposes then fewer goods will be available for domestic use.

So when we read of the necessity of containing Russia, not only through ERP, but with perhaps military aid to Greece and Turkey, to Italy, to China we ought to realize that we soon come to a point where such aid will cut into domestic supplies. Then no matter how high wage rates, they will not stretch to provide goods because goods will not be there.

Such a point is not immediately in sight. But this remorseless duel may bring us to such a point. We may learn, painfully, that our own standard of living is not inviolate. The test then will come on whether our people will be willing to sacrifice some of their creature comforts to protect their political principles and to sustain peoples of like faith.

U. S. to Fire Aliens in Red-Zone Embassies

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP)—All aliens employed at American embassies in Russia and her satellite nations are about to be fired. For security reasons, Assistant Secretary of State John E. Peurifoy said, these aliens will be replaced by Americans.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	51	37	35
Portland	50	36	35
San Francisco	57	46	30
Chicago	26	—	—
New York	32	—	—

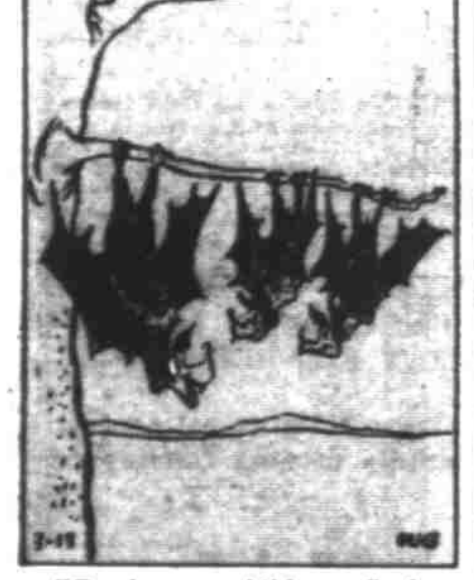
Willamette river, 25 feet below normal. WIRECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem). Cloudy today with a few scattered showers, becoming partly cloudy and cooler tonight. High today 53, low tonight 35.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (From Sept. 1 to March 13)

This Year	Last Year	Average
33.00	29.22	28.99

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Good news, children—Father's found work in a ghost town!"

Gen. Meyers Convicted; Faces Possible 30-Year Prison Term

Judge to Speed Sentencing

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP) Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers, No. 2 army air force purchasing officer during the war, was convicted today of persuading another man to tell lies to senate investigators. He faces a prison sentence of up to 30 years.

A federal district court jury decided Meyers induced a former business associate, Blieriot H. LaMarre, to give false testimony to senators investigating the general's private wartime business affairs.

The balding, 52-year-old Meyers listened without visible emotion as the jury foreman announced "guilty" to each of three charges. His attractive wife, the former movie actress Ila Rae Curnutt, wiped away a tear and put one arm around her husband. Neither spoke.

Judge Alexander Holtzoff wanted to put Meyers in jail right away. But the general's attorneys protested that it was usual for defendants "of his position" to be allowed freedom on bail.

"We don't often have defendants in his position," Holtzoff snapped. He finally agreed, however, to continue Meyers' bail until Monday, when sentence will be passed.

Usually a week or 10 days interval is allowed between a conviction and sentence. But Holtzoff said he wanted to fix Meyers' penalty "very promptly."

LaMarre testified at the trial that he "covered up" during the senate investigation, the fact that Meyers, as the real owner of Aviation Electric Corp. in Dayton, Ohio, took \$150,000 in wartime profits out of the aircraft part concern. He did this, LaMarre said, at Meyers' urging, but later changed his story and told the senators the truth.

LaMarre, now 36, said he was "dummy" president of the company at \$50 a week. He already has pleaded guilty to perjury charges and is awaiting sentence.

Kiddies Parade In Fete Plans

A children's parade will be included in this year's Cherryland festival for the first time, it was disclosed in a meeting of the Salem Cherryland Festival association at the Golden Pheasant restaurant Friday noon.

King Bing Charles Claggett, who will act as children's parade chairman, announced that grade school students from every school in Marion and Polk counties will be invited to participate. The event will take place on Saturday, following the main parade on Friday.

Claggett also announced that plans are being made to bring a top-notch air circus team from California to Salem for the annual festival air show. Two California squadrons are being considered for the engagement, Claggett said.

Call for Independence Bridge Bids This Spring

Dean Walker of Independence, was present.

The two county judges told the highway commission that they wanted the bridge "very badly," but were concerned only with the proper time to start building.

PORTLAND, March 12—(AP)—The state highway commission increased salaries in four lower engineering aides' classifications \$20 monthly, the limit allowed under civil service regulations.

In addition the commission said it would ask for authority to grant further increases, asserting Oregon was losing skilled personnel to neighboring states paying higher salaries.

In another action today the commission decided to obtain options for a five-mile relocation of the Oregon Coast highway from Tillamook to Pleasant Valley.

The commission designated the Pacific highway in Oregon as "Blue Star Drive," as designated by the 1947 legislature in honor of veterans of World War II.

Nominated to Head State DAR



Mrs. Archie McKeown (left) of Hood River, who Friday was nominated as state regent of Daughters of the American Revolution at the convention being held in Salem, finds interest in a discussion of the convention program, with Ruth Rulifson, Salem, regent of Chemeketa chapter. Mrs. McKeown is a graduate of Willamette university and holds a masters degree from University of Oregon. She served as a teacher for many years, and (as Martha Ferguson) was active as state director of older girls conference. Election of officers is set for today. (Statesman photo)

DAR Meeting Delegates To Elect Officers Today

By Maxine Buren
Woman's Editor, The Statesman
Mrs. Archie W. McKeown of Wauna chapter, Hood River, was nominated as state regent of the Oregon State society, Daughters of the American Revolution, at the Friday morning session of the state convention held in First Methodist church here.

Election is set for this morning, installation and a reception for the new officers this afternoon.

Unemployment Peak Reached

Unemployed veterans and non-veterans received less money in jobs benefits in February than they had received the month before or the month of February, 1947, according to the state unemployment compensation commission whose officials interpreted this trend Friday as indication that the peak of seasonal layoffs in Oregon may have been reached in January—a month or two earlier than usual.

Civilians received last month benefits aggregating \$907,074, a drop of 9 per cent from January and of 5 per cent from February a year ago. Veterans were paid \$731,924 last month, 11 per cent less than in January and 23 per cent down from the total for February, 1947.

Miss Dentler presided over a group of 135 delegates and many official visitors at the sessions, all of which were held in the Carrier room of the church.

Mrs. John Burcham, from the state department of education and state president of the American Association of University Women, spoke to the group at the noon luncheon. Her subject was "New Trends in Secondary Education" in which she gave her listeners an outline of changes in education methods, many of which have been made necessary by the phenomenal growth in school registrations in most areas of the state.

Betty M. Anderson of Newberg, the 12th Good Citizenship Pilgrim, who will be sent to Washington, D.C., during the next Continental Congress, was honor guest at the luncheon. Also introduced was the society's first Good Pilgrim, Mrs. Eugene Kitzmiller, now of Salem, but 12 years ago a student at West Linn high school. Jacqueline Johnson, Salem's candidate for the pilgrimage also was introduced.

Today's activities include election of officers at the morning session regent's reports, and district chairmen. Mrs. James T. Brand will be the luncheon speaker and the afternoon session will include installation and a reception at the home of Mrs. John Carlin, 495 North Summer st.

De VALERA NOT QUITTING
SAN FRANCISCO, March 12 (AP)—Eamon De Valera, former prime minister of Eire, said today he is not retiring from Irish politics and after his "semitennial" journey to America ended he will return home as "lead of the opposition."

\$4 Billion Proposal Rejected

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP) The senate tonight defeated a proposal by Senator Taft (R-Ohio) to cut the first year's outlay under the European Recovery plan to \$4,000,000,000.

The roll call vote was 56 to 31. Both Senators Cordon and Morse voted with the majority.

The action cleared the way for expected quick approval of a bill making \$5,300,000,000 available for European aid, beginning April 1.

However, numerous other amendments remained pending.

Taft told his colleagues before the vote that the aid program "is completely without economic justification but is justified by the world battle against communism."

He said the program would interfere seriously with "our own economic stability."

Defeat of the Taft amendment seemingly marked the high tide of opposition to the ERP bill in the senate.

Taft and Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) clashed in debate earlier tonight on the question of one year or four years of aid to Europe.

This first open disagreement between the republican leaders came after Vandenberg said the bill "contemplates" four years of U. S. assistance. No congress can bind the next congress, he said. But he added that he would feel obliged to vote for continuing aid beyond the first years if countries on the receiving end lived up to their obligations.

"I wholly disagree," Taft shouted. "There is no such obligation. There is no contract. They are not our partners."

Candidates for Major Offices

The candidates for major offices, as shown on filings at the statehouse Friday night, were:

President
Republican: Thomas E. Dewey; Harold E. Stassen.
Democrat: Harry S. Truman.

U. S. Senator
Republican: Guy Cordon (incumbent); Roseburg.
Democrat: Manley J. Wilson, Warren; Dr. Louis A. Wood, Eugene.

Congress (1st dist.)
Republican: Walter Norblad (incumbent); Astoria; John Taft Hensley, St. Helens.
Democrat: Edward E. Gideon, Portland and Salem.

Congress (2nd dist.)
Republican: Lowell Stockman (incumbent); Pendleton; William Henry Weatherspoon, Elgin.
Democrat: C. J. Shorb, La Grande.

Congress (3rd dist.)
Republican: Homer D. Angell (incumbent); Portland; W. A. Rushlight, Portland.
Democrat: Clifford T. Howlett, Portland; Roland C. Bartlett, Portland.

Congress (4th dist.)
Republican: Harris Ellsworth (incumbent); Roseburg; Robert L. Parsons, Grants Pass.
Democrat: William F. Tanton, Jasper; Elmer B. Sahlstrom, Eugene.

Governor
Republican: John Hall (incumbent); Portland; Douglas McKay, Salem; Leslie M. Scott, Portland; Glenn C. Ackerman, Portland; John Peyton, Junction City.
Democrat: Lew Wallace, Portland.

Secretary of State
Republican: Earl T. Newbry (incumbent); Ashland; George H. Flagg, Salem.
Democrat: A. N. Silverman, Portland; Byron G. Carney, Milwaukie.

State Treasurer
Republican: Ormond R. Bean, Sigrid Unander, both of Portland; Howard Belton, Canby.
Democrat: Walter Pearson.

McKay in Five-man Contest; Truman on Ballot; 'Wild Day' Brings 144 New Candidacies

The final count Friday showed 17 candidates — 12 republicans and 5 democrats — in the race for Marion county's four seats in the state house of representatives, including one woman — Josephine Albert Spaulding.

The republicans include the four incumbents — W. W. Chadwick, Frank Doerfler, Paul Hendricks and Douglas Yeater, all of Salem — and H. R. (Farmer) Jones, John Steelhammer, David E. Hoss, Richard A. Spooner, W. J. LaRoche, E. S. Benjamin and Roy Houck, also all of Salem, and Ray J. Glat of Woodburn.

The democrats include Arthur L. Davis, Raymond R. Knight and Josephine Albert (Mrs. Bruce) Spaulding, all of Salem, and Antone M. Vistica of Woodburn and Charles W. Fantz of Silverton.

Eight of the filings came in on the final day — those of Hendricks, Steelhammer, LaRoche, Benjamin, Vistica, Knight, Mrs. Spaulding and Fantz.

In Polk county, incumbent Lyle Thomas and Mrs. Joe Rogers, Sr. will vie for the republican nomination as representative. There is no democratic candidate.

In Yamhill, R. H. C. Bennett and Carl Francis, both incumbents, and Peter Zimmerman are seeking the two house seats from that county. All three are republicans. No democratic opposition appeared.

Earle Johnson, incumbent representative from Benton county, is unopposed on either ticket. He is a republican.

In Linn county, with two house seats, incumbent M. M. Landon filed for the republican nomination, as did Jack Alden Draper, Bob Halliday and Warren Gill. Earl G. Massey is the only democratic candidate.



Leslie M. Scott



Douglas McKay

Salem Truck Sets Fire to Portland Train

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12—(AP) A spectacular explosion and fire illuminated the Portland waterfront tonight after a train-gasoline truck collision, but no one was injured.

The slow-moving Union Pacific passenger train, the Portland Rose and the truck and trailer crashed at the foot of the Steel bridge across the Willamette river, near the downtown depot.

The truck driver and the train crew jumped to safety ahead of 100-foot-high flames that enveloped the truck and trailer.

The locomotive was uncoupled from the train before the fire could spread. The train, leaving Portland for Chicago, was delayed about two hours.

Hundreds of spectators were drawn by the flames, and traffic on the bridge was tied up briefly. The truck and trailer, owned by the Green Transfer company, Salem, and carried a load of 5,100 gallons.

The driver, Lawrence James Moffit, 25, of 724 Trade st., Salem, told police he tried to stop to let the train go by, but that his heavy load kept inching him forward. He jumped when he saw the collision was inevitable.

Anderson to Stay in Truman Cabinet

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Anderson said today he will stay in the cabinet, at least for some months.

He has been thinking of running for the senate seat now held by Senator Hatch (D-N.M.) who has announced he will not seek another term.

Anderson told reporters after a cabinet meeting today that President Truman asked him to remain.

Dairies Threaten To Halt Red Cross Support in Dispute

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP)—The Red Cross disclosed today certain dairy interests threatened to stop supporting Red Cross campaigns unless it withdraws a pamphlet suggesting oleo margarine as an acceptable substitute for butter.

Livingston Blair, chairman of the Red Cross food conservation committee, in response to a query, said the organization received a letter from D. H. Henry, a Chicago creamery manager, and a telegram from the American Dairy association.

Blair criticized the pamphlet, which listed under "fair exchange" for seven favorite foods, "fortified oleomargarine" for butter.

2 Dallas Men Hurt in Wreck

Two Dallas men were injured, one seriously, when their car smashed into the rear of a truck on the Salem-Dallas highway about 5 p.m. Friday night, state police reported.

In Dallas General hospital with serious injuries is Frank Leroy Dunn, Dallas route 2. His brother, Edward Dunn, driver of the car, suffered a broken arm, but was dismissed from the hospital after treatment.

Police said the accident occurred when Dunn's car struck a truck driven by Earl Willard Hanson, Rickreall, as the truck was stopped on the highway, preparing to make a left turn.

ARGENTINA CHARGED

WASHINGTON, March 12—(AP)—The Herter committee charged today Argentina is "bleeding a starving Europe" through "exorbitant" wheat prices.

Candidates for County Commissioner, Sheriff Included in Last-Minute Filings in Salem Friday

Roy S. Melson, Salem route 8, filed his candidacy for republican nomination to the post of Marion county commissioner and A. C. Burk (D) and Robert Fallon (D), both of Salem, filed for sheriff on the democratic ticket, in last-minute filings which Friday brought to 27 the total of candidates for 15 elective county offices.

In other new filings Friday, Fred T. Hall (D), 34½ Center st., filed for Salem district constable and F. E. Sylvester (R), Silverton, filed for Silverton justice of the peace.

Melson and Burk are both previous holders of the office they now seek. Melson, county commissioner from 1922 to 1940, was born and educated near Salem and graduated from Willamette university.

Melson, a Keizer area farmer, in a statement Friday said he had helped pioneer the county's oilseed program and "obtained federal aid for county road building." He said that federal aid could be secured again and stated that he favored bolstering the county's many small bridges

to better accommodate heavy farm machinery. His campaign slogan is, "business administration."

Burk was sheriff from 1932 to 1944 when he was defeated by incumbent Denver Young. He came to Salem in 1911 and for a time was service station owner, automobile salesman and was employed at the Oregon state prison. Since leaving the sheriff's office he has been employed in the state driver's license department.

He said Friday that he "wants to complete the modernization of the county tax department which I began in my tenure of office." He is a member of the local Elks, Eagles, Masons and Shrine.

Sylvester, a Silverton attorney, filed as his slogan, "justice tempered with mercy."

Hall, whose slogan is "honest efficiency," is the only democratic candidate for the Salem district constable position. The county elective offices and their candidates as they will line up for the May 21 primary include:

State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott, non-committal for many months, got in under the wire with a filing for the republican nomination as governor Friday just before the 5 p.m. deadline. Sen. Dean Walker of Independence, long mentioned as a possibility, did not file.

The day brought a record 144 candidacies, including the formal filing for the governorship of Douglas McKay of Salem, to bring to 418 the total filings for the 179 state offices to be filled this year.

Scott's candidacy, making a five-man race for governor on the republican ticket, overshadowed other developments of a busy day which state elections chief David O'Hara said was "as wild as we've ever had." Corridors of the statehouse were jammed.

Included in those developments was the filing of petitions bearing 1,800 names to assure a place on the democratic ballot for President Harry S. Truman. Monroe Sweetland headed the "Re-elect Tru-

man" committee. The president has no opposition for Oregon's 16 votes at the democratic national convention.

Thomas E. Dewey and Harold E. Stassen remain the only candidates for the state's 12 votes at the republican convention.

All four of Oregon's congressmen filed for re-election and all have opposition (see complete state list elsewhere on this page). Sen. Guy Cordon is seeking re-election, but two filings have been recorded on the democratic side. Edward E. Gideon of Portland and Salem made a last-minute filing for first district congressman on the democratic ticket.

The final day brought an avalanche of filings for state senators, representatives, delegates and electors, but Mrs. Nancy Honeyman Robinson and Mrs. Marshall Cornett remain unopposed for democratic and republican national committee members, respectively.

Ralph Coker is unopposed for national republican committeeman. Four seek the democratic ticket.

Mrs. Roy R. Hewitt of Salem is certain to be a democratic presidential elector if a democrat wins the presidency—she is one of six who filed for five six places.

There were five filings for first district delegate to the republican national convention — Carl Hogg and Mrs. James Mott of Salem, Harry Anderson of Corvallis, Francis Marsh of McMinnville and John T. Latourette of Clackamas. Previous filings included Frank M. Farrington, Robert L. Elstrom and Wallace R. Telford. Two are to be chosen. All candidates for delegate at large are from Portland.

Democratic delegate candidates from the first district include Miss Margaret Coates of Tillamook and three others who filed the last day — Roy R. Hewitt and Kenneth W. Bayne of Salem and Tom Long of Oregon City.

Highway Commission Accounting Department Moves to New Structure

The state highway commission accounting department, which has occupied quarters in the state office building here for many years, moved into a new structure near the state highway department shops in east Salem on Friday.

Rooms vacated in the office building will be utilized by other state highway division activities.

Sheriff — Incumbent Denver Young (R); L. N. Bacon (R); S. W. Burris (R); A. C. Burk (D) and Robert Fallon (D), all of Salem.

County school superintendent — Incumbent Mrs. Agnes Booth, non-partisan, Turner.

County district court — Incumbent Joseph Felton, non-partisan, Salem. Surveyor — Incumbent J. D. Graber (R), Hills Ferry, acting surveyor.

Treasurer — Incumbent Sam J. Butler (R) and Gene Malecki (R), both of Salem.

Assessor — Incumbent Roaco "Tad" Shelton (R).

Commissioner — Incumbent Roy J. Rice (R); Roy S. Melson (R), both of Salem, and Alfred J. Zielinski (R), Silverton.

Salem district constable — Incumbent Earl Adams (R); James Gerwin (R); Edwin A. Gorman (R); Fred T. Hall (D), all of Salem.

Coroner — Leston W. Howell (R) and Ben F. Ramsey (R), both of Salem. County Clerk — Incumbent Harlan Judd (R), Salem. County Justice — Incumbent Grant Murphy (R), Salem. Justice of the peace — Woodburn, Incumbent T. C. Gorman (R); Newberg, Incumbent Walter R. Bell (R); Mt. Angel, Incumbent N. M. Lashy (D); and Silverton, Incumbent Alf O. Nelson (R) and F. E. Sylvester (R), both of Silverton. Circuit Judges George Duncan and E. M. Page are unopposed for re-election.