

Early U.S. History Compared To Present World Problems at Local Labor Recognition Rally

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The decisions the United States, as leader of the world's freedom-loving nations, must make in the days and months directly ahead are more momentous, more compelling and more urgent than those expressed in the documents aboard the Freedom Train.

That was the message E. B. MacNaughton, chairman of the First National Bank of Portland and of The Oregonian's board of directors, had for his audience at the Labor Recognition day rally in the Salem armory Thursday evening.

It is well to study those historic documents on which the American way of life is based, he said, but Americans must now look to the future realizing that the world today is in a similar position to the wobbly New World republic faced in 1776.

"We were the radicals, the Bolsheviks, then. The federalists of states which the Constitution brought into existence was viewed with the same alarm by European nations (some 200 years ago) as we now view the process of evolution going on behind the iron curtain," MacNaughton pointed out.

"Carry Big Stick"

An alternative to waging a "hot" war to achieve peace is vigilance and preparedness, he believes, but "we must not be trigger-happy. Let's walk softly but carry a big stick," he said quoting Theodore Roosevelt.

If America's leadership is successful - and MacNaughton believes it will be - our children's children may some day visit a "Freedom Rocket," carrying the documents that built a new era - a destiny which is in America's hands today, he concluded.

James Landry, president of the Multnomah Bar association and outstanding labor attorney, recounted the history of the development of America's legal cornerstone like the Bill of Rights, exhibited on the Freedom Train.

The speakers were introduced by Mayor R. L. Elstrom of Salem who paid tribute to working men and women when he said America was founded by, built by and

Gov. Dewey Trip to Oregon Rumored

PORTLAND, April 1.—Political observers here said today an Oregon trip by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey is a distinct possibility, although in Chicago a Dewey aide said none is planned.

Local observers said conferences between Oregon Dewey backers and the governor's advisors indicated that if the GOP nomination campaign indicates a trip here is advisable it will be made—but that no decision has been reached.

Moose Lodge Celebrates 10th Anniversary

Tenth anniversary of the founding of Salem's lodge 144, Loyal Order of Moose, was celebrated Thursday night by the lodge, assisted by visitors from several out-of-town lodges, including some of the ritualistic staff who originally initiated local members.

A class of seven new members was initiated by a degree team from Portland lodge. A special guest was Charles Skill, Portland, state membership director.

Four governors from Oregon cities present at the meeting were Lloyd Kneeland, Portland; Cliff Gee, Corvallis; Mannie Barnes, Hillsboro, and Emil Lahti or Astoria. Gees is also district vice-president of Oregon State Moose association.

Twenty-two members of degree and drill teams from Portland assisted in the initiation.

Matt Sheffield, Salem lodge governor, announced that the state convention of the lodge will be held in Astoria from July 15 through 18. The Salem lodge, he said, will elect new officers at next week's meeting.

The Salem lodge was instituted on April 1, 1938, by Pledge Supreme Governor Al J. Sartori of Spokane. It was organized by Tobe Watkins of Corvallis who is now secretary-treasurer of the Oregon Moose association. Ross (Tiny) Graves, also of Corvallis, assisted with the first officers.

First officers appointed by the supreme lodge were O. W. Emmons, past governor; C. S. Emmons, governor; T. J. Bradshaw, junior governor; Charles L. Beck, prelate; L. R. Harrington, secretary; Thomas Doty, treasurer; Matt J. Dockins, inner guard; Francis Stuenkel, outer guard and J. R. Brown, J. W. Booth and Bert J. Culp, trustees.

Past governors besides Emmons are A. E. Waldorf, H. E. Hedine, Harvey Schuebel, L. L. Stover, O. E. Chastain, Grover Leitch and Matt Sheffield.

The lodge is now housed on the second floor of the Shrode building 12th and Leslie streets.

Truman Asks \$3 Billion for U.S. Defense

WASHINGTON, April 1.—(AP) The house voted an extra \$150,000,000 for atomic energy development late today shortly after President Truman told it he wanted another \$3,000,000,000 for national defense.

There was no direct connection between the two actions. The atomic energy fund, an authorization to let contracts for building that amount, was part of a catch-all deficiency appropriation bill passed by the house 339 to 3 and sent to the senate.

The president notified Speaker Martin (R-Mass.) in a letter that the \$3,000,000,000 additional defense funds will be needed to "round out and balance our national security program" and "to enable us to meet our international responsibilities."

Travelers Club Elects, Installs

Election and installation of officers and initiation of the 28 members so far enrolled was conducted Wednesday night by the new Salem council of United Commercial Travelers, meeting in the Marion hotel.

Present to direct the ceremonies was Melvin Kelley of Seattle, northwest district grand councilor, assisted by officers from the Portland and Eugene councils.

Named as local officers are Floyd Colburn, senior councilor; G. A. Brown, past senior councilor; Frank W. Test, junior councilor; G. A. Brownhill, conductor; C. T. Resney, page; Russell T. Jones, sentinel; H. R. Ransom, secretary-treasurer; William G. Loomis, chaplain; Albert A. Cohen, John E. Savage, Frank Pitkin and S. B. McAlpine, executive committee.

Mrs. Thompson Of Turner Dies

Mrs. Elizabeth Bradley Thompson, former Salem resident and mother of Mrs. Harry Schenk here, died Thursday at her home in Turner. She was 77.

Also surviving are another daughter, Mrs. I. A. McCoy, Portland; Mrs. Bradley R. Thompson, Cleveland, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. L. R. Harvey, Vancouver, B. C., and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted by the Rev. Dudley Strain of Salem First Christian church at 10 a.m. Saturday in the W. T. Rigdon chapel, with interment following at Rest Haven cemetery, Eugene.

Minister, Wife to Retrace Oregon Trail on Horses

PORTLAND, April 1.—(AP)—The Old Oregon Trail is being retraced—backward—to tell the people about the Oregon territory's centennial.

The Rev. John W. Beard, 65, and Mrs. Beard, set out today on horseback for Independence, Mo.

The retired Presbyterian minister, who was a chaplain in both world wars, said they had wanted to make the trip for years—and hoped to cover 25 miles a day over the route.

HOSS BACK FROM TRIP

Dave Hoss, republican candidate for state representative and general chairman of the Freedom Train committee, returned home Thursday from a business and pleasure trip to Los Angeles and San Francisco.

9 WU Students Form Wallace Club

A group of nine students formed the nucleus of a Willamette Students for Wallace club this week and elected Royal Hart, Jefferson, chairman.

The purpose of the newly formed group, according to Hart, is to work for the election of Henry A. Wallace and other progressive candidates who believe in "peace and plenty instead of war and depression."

The next meeting for the club will follow the spring vacation when Homer Owens of Reed college, chairman of the state organization, will speak.

Armenian Says Europe Nations Politically Sick

By Lester Cour
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The people of the Far East are politically sick and becoming sicker by the day as Russian communism continues to spread chaos in that area, Joseph Hagop Apigian, native Armenian and noted traveler, told members of the Salem Knife and Fork club Thursday night.

The energetic Apigian, now a resident of Albany, bitterly denounced Russia in a 90-minute discussion of "The Near East, Yesterday and Today." Born near Constantinople, Apigian witnessed five bloody revolutions in his native Armenia and Turkey since the start of World War I.

He praised America as the world's "haven of refuge" as communism threatens the entire world, but asserted that the United States has done "a poor job selling democracy to the Near East."

Turkey, helped by U.S. oil companies for the past 20 years since the overthrow of the Ottoman empire, has made remarkable progress Apigian stated, and urged that similar aid be given other Near East countries.

He urged a co-ordinated foreign policy and adequate relief shipments to sway the peoples of the Near East back to democracy. In Greece, he said, communism has gained supporters by great numbers since relief shipments were started because of faulty relief administration and changing foreign policy.

Stassen Files Victory Claim

MILWAUKEE, April 1.—(AP) Harold E. Stassen filed a bold claim to a majority of Wisconsin's GOP presidential delegates tonight at Gov. Thomas E. Dewey asserted that "military genius" is no good for a cold war.

The third of three republican presidential hopefuls seeking the state's 27 votes in next June's party convention — Gen. Douglas MacArthur — was silent in Tokyo.

Stassen, busy hopping over the state, paused in the Milwaukee suburb of Wauwatosa to predict that he will get the support of 14 of the 27 delegates.

Services Today for Silverton Infant

SILVERTON — Graveside services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at the Silverton cemetery for Lloyd Gladys Justice, 10 day old infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Justice, who died at Yreka, Calif., March 28, the Rev. Ben F. Browning officiating. Besides her parents, three brothers, James, Allen and Dale, and her grandfather, Frank Perry of Silverton survive.

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FARMERS UNION TO MEET

The Marion county Farmers Union will hold its quarterly meeting in the Farmers Union hall in Salem Saturday, April 3.

The all-day session will start at 10 a.m.

Dinner will be served in the hall at noon. The afternoon speaker will be John Bollinger, president of the Farmers Union Livestock association, of St. Paul, Minn.

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