

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sorensen

Paraphrasing the apt comment of the late Vice President Marshall, after the first world war, that what the country needed was a good five-cent cigar, Costello of the comedy team quipped in a recent broadcast that what the country needed was a good five-cent nickel. Maybe so; but steadily the field for the nickel is diminishing. In fact the only recent development increasing the nickel business is the parking meter.

The five-cent candy bar survives only in reduced volume, and five cents still buys an ice cream cone and a local telephone call. But as Daniel Webster said "All else, how changed."

The latest nickel redoubt to yield is the New York city transit system. Through wars, booms and depressions five cents was the fare on surface car, elevated or subway. Private systems, most of them, went broke after the first world war. Finally the city took over most of the transit systems, but the five-cent fare had become a "sacred cow" which the politicians did not touch. Under it the city faced a deficit of some \$50,000,000; and it was either raise fares or take the sum out of other services. Mayor O'Dwyer at last capitulated and gave his assent to a rise in fares to 10 cents on the subway and 7 on surface buses.

But see what that does to the money in circulation in New York City. Dimes and pennies will be in greater demand, so the transit authority has ordered 10 million dimes and 10 million pennies to be ready to "make change" when its new fares start July 1. Change booths are located near the turnstiles at subway entrances, and motormen make change for surface bus passengers. When the "take" for one day was totaled recently \$118,909 was in bills, \$109,657 in nickels, \$9,719 in dimes, \$71,322 in quarters and \$3,525 in pennies. The number of dimes will increase sharply, and nickels decline. "Brother, can you spare a dime" will have a fresh meaning in New York City. Costello will have to wait a long time before he sees a "good five-cent nickel." The country hopes though that the retreat will stop with the dime, at least until the next war, which all hope will never occur.

House Passes Tideland Bill

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—The house stamped approval by 257 to 29 today on a bill to give the individual states sovereignty over their tide lands.

The legislation, by renouncing all federal claims, would give states clear title to certain oil-rich lands. These chiefly lie between the three-mile limit and the low tide mark along the nation's coast. The supreme court has held that the federal government has "paramount rights" to submerged lands off the coast lines. Today's house vote, which sent the bill to the senate, was in effect a vote to override the supreme court.

Liquor Sales Show Decline

Gross liquor sales in Oregon for the first three months of this year aggregated \$8,926,952, a decrease of about 3 1/2 per cent as compared with the same period a year ago, the state liquor control commission reported to Gov. John H. Hall Friday.

85,000 Workers Needed for Harvest

PORTLAND, April 30 (AP)—Farm labor experts estimated today that 85,000 workers would be needed in the peak harvest period in Oregon this year. Ellis Jones, information representative of the state employment service, said indications were that the labor would be available. About 60,000 will come from Oregon communities. The others will be migrant workers.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Please! You're too close."

Jews Forging Ring Around Jerusalem; Defy British Threat

JERUSALEM, April 30 (AP)—Jewish shock troops threw a headlock tonight around a string of Arab strongpoints in a 22-hour battle for Jerusalem.

Fighting in the southern section of the holy city halted for a time when Arab fighters asked for a truce. Then the struggle was resumed as two heavy explosions rocked the battered Katamon area.

Blond Princess



Princess LaVonne Mull of Monmouth, who will be in the court of the Salem Cherryland festival July 15-18 and who, meanwhile, is a candidate for Cherry queen.

Monmouth Hi Contributes Fete Princess

MONMOUTH, April 30 (AP)—LaVonne Mull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Mull, and a high school senior here, was elected princess to represent Monmouth in the Salem Cherryland festival.

Board Awards Independence Bridge Contract

Contract for construction of a Willamette river bridge at Independence was awarded by the highway commission Friday.

Dairymen to Defy State Law

PORTLAND, April 30 (AP)—Some milk distributors threatened today to disregard the regulation which requires milk bottle caps to state how rich the milk is.

Freak Weather Dogs Salem

Freak weather which included bright sunshine, hail and rain ushered out a damp and wet April in Salem Friday, and the U.S. weather bureau at McNary field predicted continued unsettled conditions over the weekend.

Politics on Parade . . .

Who's Running for What in the May Primaries!

(Editor's note: Comments in this series are made by or for the candidates without restriction, and may or may not reflect the policy of this newspaper.) Today's subject: George Neuner (r) Candidate for Attorney General

Graduated from Central Oregon State Normal school and Willamette university college of law; admitted to practice in 1908; City attorney of Roseburg 1910. Elected representative of Douglas county and served in the session of 1913. Appointed George Neuner district attorney for Douglas county by Governor West, twice elected and served until 1923. In

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CIO Chrysler Strike Set May 12; Lewis Demands Contract Parley

Dewey's Plane on Way To Arrive Today in Portland

Mouth-Watering 4-H Exhibits



There was plenty of drooling around lunchtime at the 4-H bakery exhibits in the American Legion hall which are shown being eyed hungrily Friday by a group of 4-H club members, a part of the hundreds of youngsters and club leaders who flocked to Salem Wednesday through Friday to attend the annual Marion county 4-H spring show. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer)

Three Schools Win 4-H Spring Parade Honors

By Marguerite Gleeson Staff Writer, The Statesman Crawford, Cloverdale and Mt. Angel schools took top parade honors and a surprised 14-year-old Parrish junior high girl, Joanne Fabry, won the afternoon style revue championship Friday as the seventh annual Marion county 4-H spring show came to a close.

Polk Defeats School Budget

DALLAS, Ore., April 30 (Special)—Polk county rural school district rejected in the April 19 ballot, a special levy exceeding the 6 per cent limitation, according to the official canvass just completed. The vote was 279 for and 385 against, County Superintendent Josiah K. Willis reported.

Scientific' Reno Gamblers in Hole; 'System' Shaken

LAS VEGAS, Nev., April 30 (AP)—The rover boys of the roulette table learned it the hard way today: They'll always get you in the end. Albert Hibbs, 23, Chillicothe, O., and Dr. Roy Walford, 23, San Diego, gave up the whirl at noon pockets empty after 14 hours of lucklessly trying their "system" at a local club.

11 Contractors Apply for State Building Plans

Applications for sets of plans and specifications from contractors interested in construction of the proposed new \$2,000,000 state office building here continued to arrive at the state board of control offices Friday.

Parade, Coronation to Highlight Second Day of Willamette University's May Week End

The parade begins at 1:15 p.m. and will feature nine floats. They were designed and constructed by campus living organizations. A twelve-mount posse will direct the parade which will leave the campus, tour down State street to the judges reviewing stand at the Capitol theatre. The parade will return to the campus in time for the coronation ceremonies at 2:30.

Dr. Gregg



Dr. Robert D. Gregg, Carnegie Tech history department head, with Friday accepted appointment as dean of the college of liberal arts at Willamette university.

Dean Selected For WU College of Liberal Arts

Willamette university announced Friday the appointment of Dr. Robert D. Gregg, now head of the history department at Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa., as dean of the college of liberal arts at Willamette.

Officials Hope for Rail Pact

By The Associated Press Labor-management differences erupted Friday in the worst crisis since the wave of strikes that swept the country following the war's end.

Fate Smiles on James Stewart

NEWARK, N. J., April 30 (AP)—Movie actor Jimmy Stewart stepped into a real-life role today helping remove 10 persons injured at Newark airport after a fresh wind toppled a scaffold during the filming of a movie.

Truman Nominates Lewis' Son to Position

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—President Truman today nominated John I. Lewis, Jr., for appointment in the regular corps of the public health service as a senior assistant surgeon. He is the son of the United Mine Workers' president.

Count Kept of 4-H Parade Size

"How many youngsters in that parade?" asked H. C. Seymour, former Oregon 4-H club leader who visited Salem Friday en route to Pullman, Wash.

SENATE CONFIRMS WOODS

WASHINGTON, April 30 (AP)—The senate today confirmed Tight Woods as rent control chief and housing expeditor. The confirmation was by unanimous consent.

Weather

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	58	42	.01
Portland	58	42	.01
San Francisco	58	46	.04
Chicago	58	46	.04
New York	58	46	.04

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FORECAST

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today and tonight. High today 62, low tonight 36. Moderate afternoon winds will interfere with crop dusting.

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