

The multiplicity of campaigns to raise money for worthy projects has led to a degree of public revolt. The people get fed up on money campaigns, and some communities have hailed a "Leave-us-alone" week. At the Spokane meeting of representatives of community chests and councils Ralph Blanchard, executive director of the national organization reported that campaigns have become so numerous that citizens are unable to determine the causes that are most worthy. The community chest idea was born out of a similar feeling a quarter of a century ago. In this connection some simple truths should be recognized. This is a free country and there is no way to stop legitimate organizations and institutions from staging campaigns to raise money. Second, you cannot put all the appeals in one "askit" (as Bishop Baxter used to say). Third, if you did get all in one campaign a new crop would spring up. Few months outside of summertime would be permitted to lie fallow. The number of meritorious causes is not limited, and probably will increase instead of decrease. Fourth, if all campaigns were included in one the budget would be so large it could not be met. Persons might give \$1 a month to charities though they wouldn't give \$12 at one time. Is there then no control? Yes, the surest control is when the money runs out. Then the "fringe" campaigns tend to languish. Another possible control would be if businessmen who usually are selected to head up these campaigns would refuse to accept unless (Continued on Editorial Page)

Boeing Rejects Ching's Offer To Mediate

SEATTLE, May 6 (AP)—The strike-bound Boeing airplane company said today it would "respectfully decline" to attend joint union-company conferences in Washington, D.C., if the purpose of the meetings was "to bring the parties into collective bargaining negotiations." The company said, however, that if desired our representatives will attend for the purpose of giving those present complete facts in support of our position that the strike is illegal. The statements were made to U.S. Conciliator Cyrus S. King, who had requested a joint conference of union and Boeing representatives in Washington on May 10.

Lane Payroll Passes Marion

Marion county's 15.7 per cent gain in covered payroll from 1946 to 1947 compared with an average 10.2 per cent over Oregon, the state unemployment compensation commission disclosed Thursday. Marion's payroll slipped from second to third place among counties, surpassed by Lane, which was included in the rapid growth reported by the timber belt. The state's covered payroll last year was \$852,089,522, a gain of 7 per cent over 1946, the previous high year, and more than double any pre-war figure. Marion's payroll rose from \$9-138,511 in 1946 to \$31,552,155 in 1947 and \$36,521,261 in 1948, with 12,673 persons employed in compensation-covered jobs last December.

Report Hints at Gasoline Ration

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—The possible return of gasoline rationing in six months was hinted today by a house committee. A serious oil shortage faces the country, and rationing is in sight unless a voluntary program of conservation works within the next six months, said a report released by the house armed services committee. "We cannot fly jet air fleets on undiscovered oil," the report said.

Animal Crackers
By WARREN GOODRICH



"No one will leave the room till I find out who took the apples!"

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Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	53	35	.13
Portland	52	35	.13
San Francisco	59	53	Trace
Chicago	58	53	1.12
New York	69	46	Trace

Willamette river 7.2 feet.
FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today and tonight with showers in the mountainous areas. High today 67, low tonight 46. Weather will be good for all farm activities today and tomorrow.

Pre-Strike Rail Freight Embargoes Ordered Solons Vote \$3 Billion for 70-Group Air Force

Candidates Eye Cherry Court



JANE SMITH
St. Paul



DOROTHY BURKE
Gervais



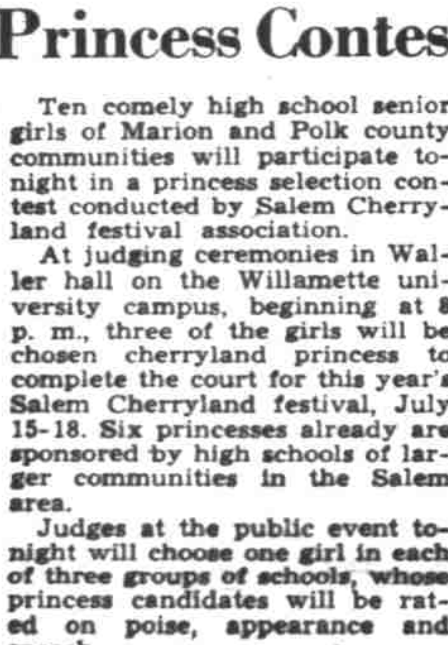
PATRICIA BURRELL
Sacred Heart



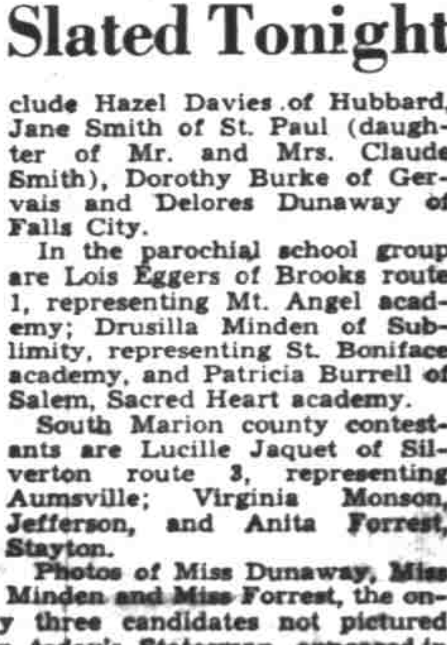
LUCILLE JAQUET
Aumsville



VIRGINIA MONSON
Jefferson



HAZEL DAVIES
Hubbard



LOIS EGGERS
Mt. Angel

Princess Contest Slated Tonight

Ten comely high school senior girls of Marion and Polk county communities will participate tonight in a princess selection contest conducted by Salem Cherryland festival association. At judging ceremonies in Waller hall on the Willamette university campus, beginning at 8 p. m., three of the girls will be chosen cherryland princess to complete the court for this year's Salem Cherryland festival, July 15-18. Six princesses already are sponsored by high schools of larger communities in the Salem area. Judges at the public event tonight will choose one girl in each of three groups of schools, whose princess candidates will be rated on poise, appearance and speech. Contestants in one group include Hazel Davies of Hubbard, Jane Smith of St. Paul (daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Smith), Dorothy Burke of Gervais and Delores Dunaway of Falls City. In the parochial school group are Lois Eggers of Brooks route 1, representing Mt. Angel academy; Drusilla Minden of Sublimity, representing St. Boniface academy; and Patricia Burrell of Salem, Sacred Heart academy. South Marion county contestants are Lucille Jaquet of Silverton route 3, representing Aumsville; Virginia Monson, Jefferson; and Anita Forrest, Stayton. Photos of Miss Dunaway, Miss Minden and Miss Forrest, the only three candidates not pictured in today's Statesman, appeared in the paper April 30.

Passes by Landslide 74 to 2

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—The senate, sizzling with talk of a "communist threatened world," today approved by a landslide 74 to 2 vote a \$3,233,200,000 (B) measure to build up a 70-group air force. Only Senators Taylor (D-Idaho) and Cain (R-Wash.) voted against it. The legislation now goes back to the house, which passed an almost similar bill 343 to 3, for action on a few minor senate amendments. Little trouble is expected in reaching a compromise between the two.

Then the final bill goes to the president for his signature or veto. The air force was so confident of presidential approval that it announced last night it will immediately start plans to buy 2,727 new planes. These include 243 bombers, 1,575 jet fighters and 909 reconnaissance, transport, training, rescue and liaison aircraft. About 625 will be for delivery by January, the balance by July 1950.

The new planes will consist of Boeing B-50s, the Republic B-24 Thunderjets, the North American B45 4-jet bomber, the Curtiss-Wright P-57 4-jet all weather fighter, North America's P-86 jet fighter and the improved Lockheed P-80.

Rain Forces Cancellations; Clearing Due

Residents and farmers of the Salem area received heartening news this morning when the U.S. weather bureau at McNary field forecast only "partly cloudy skies" for the week end. The bureau said the entire week end will be favorable for farm work, but predicted some showers may fall in the higher areas of Marion county. The latest series of spring storms, moved away from Salem and Western Oregon Thursday, but not before events scheduled to be held here were cancelled. A circus, slated for Thursday, moved on to Oregon City when managers declared the state fairgrounds too muddy for the show. The Marion county school children's play-day, to be held on the same site today, was postponed for the same reason, the county school superintendent's office announced Thursday. Whether a later date will be set will be decided by the county committee which will meet later this week. The revival of the annual play-day would have brought about 5,000 pupils from 65 county schools to Salem.

SALEM PRECIPITATION
(From Sept. 1 to May 7)

This Year	Last Year	Average
43.49	33.12	34.60

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 H. Flegg (R)**
Candidate for Secretary of State
I am a native Oregonian, born at St. Helens, attended public schools and Capital Business college in Salem, then engaged in newspaper and printing work, first at St. Helens and then in Eastern Oregon from 1911 to 1934, when I returned to Salem as chief deputy in the secretary of state's office under P. J. Sta-George Flegg, fellowman.
Also served eight years in that capacity with Earl Snell, five months with Robert S. Farrell, Jr. Appointed public utilities commissioner, 1943, by Governor Snell; honored by re-appointment in 1947. Resigned March 15, 1948, to become candidate for secretary

Jews, Arabs Rebuff U.S. Palestine Peace Efforts

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—A dramatic new American attempt to stop the fighting in Palestine has been rebuffed by both Jews and Arabs, it was learned today. But President Truman declared every possible effort is still being made through the United Nations to get the holy land crisis settled. Other officials disclosed that American representatives at the United Nations in New York, gave Jews and Arabs a four-point truce proposal on Monday. This proposal also would have required acceptance by the British to become effective. It specified that: 1. The United Nations assembly's special session on settlement of the Palestine problem be suspended for 10 days. 2. Both Jews and Arabs agree to a general cease-fire order for the 10-day period. 3. The British agree to extend their rule over Palestine for 10 days beyond May 15.

4. President Truman should provide a special plane to transport to Palestine, Jewish and Arab representatives and members of the Belgian-French-United States truce commission to negotiate a truce. Responsible officials said the Jews turned down this proposition in New York Tuesday night and the Arabs rejected it early today. NEW YORK, May 6 (AP)—The United Nations approved today the appointment of a neutral mayor for Jerusalem. The vote was 35 to 0. Seventeen countries abstained. The Jerusalem mayor would be appointed by the British high commissioner for Palestine before the British terminate their mandate May 15. He would have to be acceptable to both Jews and Arabs.

Salem Girl Drowns on School Picnic at Coast

Tragedy marred a Salem school picnic on Wecoma beach at the ocean Thursday when a 14-year-old Salem girl drowned while swimming. Her body had not been recovered late Thursday night. Geraldine Bales, daughter of route 6, went into the water on an outgoing tide during the Sacred Heart academy's freshman class picnic and did not get back when other classmates returned. Witnesses said she and five companions went into the water and were immediately ordered back by their chaperone. Five students returned. Mary Temples, Woodburn route 1, and Frank Fritzie, Salem, said they saw the girl go down. Fritzie said he tried to get her ashore, but was thrown back by the surf. A rescue "duck" was sent out and a search plane patrolled the breakers. Ocean Lake police and fire departments also sent out beach patrols. Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bales, Salem

Break Seen in Rafter's Strike

PORTLAND, Ore., May 6 (AP)—The IWA district council of the International Woodworkers of America set up a formula today for settlement of the CIO rafter and boom-men's strike. Carl Winn, secretary of the negotiating committee, said the group decided today to permit local unions and employers to end tie-ups, if each settlement meets the union's full demands. Thus it would not be necessary for district-wide settlement. Winn said suggestions had come from both locals and employers for settlement on this basis. He added that this "might be a break" in the long tie-up.

LONGSHORE STRIKE VOTE
PORTLAND, May 6 (AP)—CIO longshoremen here voted almost unanimously to strike if necessary on June 15 to enforce contract demands, their publicity committee said today.

President Works on Peace Try

CHICAGO, May 6 (AP)—Many railroads began serving their workers with layoff notices today in preparation for Tuesday's scheduled strike. Many others declared embargoes on perishable freight. Some planned to continue operating.

The actions indicated that any strike would almost completely paralyze the nation's vast railway system. The strike call provides for operation only of troops, milk and hospital trains. However, at least two lines announced in advance they will try to continue operating, despite the strike. The Illinois Central, running between Chicago and Gulf ports at Florida, and the Louisville and Nashville said they would attempt to operate skeleton service. Plans Complete Layoff Among railroads announcing plans for a complete layoff of workers in event of a strike were the Baltimore and Ohio and the Pennsylvania—the nation's largest carrier of passengers and freight. Both were sharply critical of the strike call of 190,000 engineers, firemen and engine men and switchmen.

PORTLAND, May 6 (AP)—The Southern Pacific Railroad here tonight announced an embargo will be in effect today on shipments of livestock, live poultry and perishables that cannot be delivered prior to 6 a.m. Tuesday. Only railroads struck at 6 a.m. Tuesday, this morning, covered all destinations across the United States and included receipt of such shipments from connecting lines. It will not effect dead freight, which will be subject to delay, Nelson said. The Railroad Express agency also announced an embargo, effective at the same time.

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—President Truman said today the full strength of the administration and all available resources of the law are being thrown into an effort to head off the threatened railroad strike. He is trying to keep the peace, he told a news conference—trying to keep the country running. Steelman Confers John R. Steelman, the president's assistant on labor matters, was present at the news conference. A short time earlier Steelman had met with W. F. Farley, president of the Association of American Railroads, in a surprise session at the White House. Steelman has a date at 10 a.m. (EST) tomorrow with the heads of three key operating brotherhoods which have voted to strike next Tuesday morning. Mr. Truman had a definite no for a reporter who asked whether the office of defense transportation had been alerted to seize the railroads.

Salem Girl Helps Rescue Boys after Boat Overturns

PORTLAND, May 6 (AP)—A pair of bobby soxers rescued two boys whose sailboat capsized in Lake Oswego late yesterday. Bob Simpson, 16, and George Hill, 15, of Oswego, were sailing. A gust overturned the small craft. The girls, Beverly Young, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Young, Salem, and Diana Stevens, both eighth graders, saw the accident. They ran to Diana's canoe, bailing it out, and paddled to the boys, who were treading water. Both wore heavy clothing, and likely would have been in trouble had the girls not arrived. They pulled one boy into the canoe and the other held to the craft until it reached shore.

13 MEN ON STRICKEN SHIP
KODIAK, Alaska, May 6 (AP)—A coast guard cutter battled through ice floes late tonight toward the cannery supply tender Tootsie, caught in the ice north of the Alaska peninsula. Thirteen men are aboard the vessel.

OUR SENATORS
Athens, May 6 (AP)—The populist and liberal parties agreed tonight to reshuffle the Greek cabinet. Parliament has been suspended for one month, guaranteeing the existence of liberal Premier Themistokles Sophoulis' regime until early June at least.

Walnut Growers in Mid-Valley Report Frost Damage to Crop

Walnut growers in central Willamette valley report considerable damage showing up from the frosts. In some sections frost has damaged the catkins to such an extent that growers feared they would have no crop at all, while in other sections many of the blooms were too badly damaged to pollinize well. A few growers reported Thursday, that while some damage is noticed, they believe a partial crop at least will develop. As growth advances, damage to cherry crops show "spotting," with practically no development of fruit in some areas, and as much as a 50 per cent crop in others. Early blooming prunes are damaged considerably both from frost and rains but a light set will be had in many areas. Word from Yakima is that apples in that area suffered considerable loss, but growers in the Willamette valley do not believe that their crop has been badly damaged. However, predictions are not being made, growers said Thursday.

Continued rains, which have been warm in recent days, have made unusual pasture growth, particularly in the planted pasture areas. Grass silage demonstrations are being held in all the valley counties, and hopes are that this type of food will be able to replace some of the hay and grain in which shortages are expected. Some dairy and poultry farmers said Thursday that they were milking their cows and using this as substitute feeds already because of the exceptionally high cost of regular feeds. Poultry men are not doing without egg masses, however, they report. Indications are that corn will be planted heavily this spring in the valley, with many of the growers favoring the planting of Oregon 100 because of its earlier maturing characteristics. It is getting high time to work up corn ground even, and farmers are fearing that time is growing short to have ground ready for the types needing a longer time to mature.

Pacific Highway Detours Planned Near Oregon City

Plans for handling traffic when the Oregon City - New Era section of the Pacific highway is widened were announced Thursday by State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock. The \$657,071 project, which calls for widening the two-lane route into a four-lane highway, will get underway in about a month. It also calls for widening the bridge at New Era. Baldock said passenger cars would be detoured over a county road between New Era and Oregon City. This route actually is slightly shorter than the present highway. Truck traffic will be detoured over the state highway between Woodburn, Molalla and Oregon City. Much of the project includes rock blasting and excavation, which would make it hazardous for vehicles to use the highway while under construction.

Solon Says Spy Traffic Heavy

WASHINGTON, May 6 (AP)—Twenty-seven hundred Russian spies came into this country as diplomatic agents last year, Rep. Mundt (R-S.D.) said today. Mundt made the statement in arguing successfully for early house action on his curb-communist bill. In saying that 2,700 spies got in "under the guise of diplomatic immunity," Mundt did not give any details. He told a reporter later that many communists are coming in each year, legally, on visitors' visas (permits to enter).

Churchill to Open Europe Union Meet

THE HAGUE, The Netherlands, May 6 (AP)—Delegates of 22 European countries gathered tonight to make plans for organizing a United States of Europe. Headed by Britain's Winston Churchill, who arrived today, the delegates will open their "Congress of Europe" tomorrow in the Dutch parliament building.

4-Power Negotiations for Austria Pact Suspended

LONDON, May 6 (AP)—Four-power negotiations for an Austrian peace treaty were suspended indefinitely today on the initiative of the United States. Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl said in Vienna that the interruption "destroys all our hopes for an early conclusion of the independence treaty."