

# Soviet Starts, Stops Blockade of Berlin

BERLIN, June 12-(AP)—The Russians said today they would face today and called off an hour's old rail traffic block which would have cut off food and coal from 2,000,000 Germans in Berlin's western sector.

# Willamette U. Seniors to Receive Degrees Today

Willamette university's 150 seniors of the class of '48 will receive degrees at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the campus gymnasium.

# IT SEEMS TO ME

The political dopesters say that the GOP convention will not go into a deadlock, that the "old guard" will avoid a stalemate and pick a candidate before a situation develops in which factions would become embittered.

For one reason, there is no old guard any more, no Bois Penrose with a telephone line to the convention hall; no Jim Watson; Joe Grundy, though living, is forgotten.

California has 53 votes, all pledged to Governor Warren. New Jersey has 25 votes, which will be split on early ballots, but Governor Driscoll is in command there.

Only two members returned from 1898 class. They were Dorsey M. Hill, Walla Walla, Wn., and Mrs. Edna Brugg Hubbard, Oberlin, Ohio.

# 175 to Register Here Monday For Girls State

Some 175 high school girls from over the state are expected to register Monday afternoon for Girls State on the Willamette university campus.

# Cherry Fruit Fly Emerges in Valley, Spray Required

The cherry fruit fly spray notice for the Willamette Valley has been released by S. C. Jones, associate entomologist at Oregon State college.

# Animal Crackers



"What kind of mileage you getting?"

# Solons Restore House-Cut ERP Fund

## The Statesman's Inquiring... Reporter...

The question: Do you think Oregon should establish a permanent state college in Portland to replace Vaport college that was destroyed in the flood?

Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, 270 N. 21st street, graduate of Lewis and Clark college and University of Oregon: At the present time a permanent state college in Portland is not the answer. We already have a highly developed extension center there that is virtually a college in itself and there are excellent private schools in Portland.

Mrs. Fern Kriel, housewife, 1165 Court street, Medford high school: People who want to go to college should be given every opportunity when it means so much today. So many jobs require degrees now, and the kids should have a chance to qualify. If a college in Portland is necessary, it is necessary, that is just my offhand opinion.

Harry W. Scott, businessman, 960 N. 5th, Salem high school: I have a son at the University of Michigan and one at Willamette but I don't think a college at Portland is the answer to the state's educational needs. It would just add extra administrative expense—money that could best be used to enlarge the present state institutions and provide better facilities there.

Lillian Reinke, waitress, 2220 Broadway, Woodburn high school: Yes, I think the state should rebuild Vaport college in Portland. Where are you going to put all the kids if they have no place to go to school? We've been hearing a lot about crowded conditions at Oregon State and the university so establishing another college at Portland seems like a reasonable solution.

Frank Bennett, Salem superintendent of schools, 855 E street, Willamette university of Oregon: That would depend on whether facilities at Oregon and Oregon State are adequate for normal needs. After the crest load of GI students, would there be sufficient demand to warrant a Portland college? If it appears there would be, then that is reason enough to consider another state educational unit somewhere.

Mrs. A. A. Schramm, clubwoman, 165 N. 17th street: We should have more information about the facilities in Portland before we can decide whether or not additional educational facilities are needed there. If Portland schools can't take care of the demand, then Willamette should be done to continue the Vaport students' education. Another college sounds reasonable.

(Editor's note: The Statesman's "Inquiring Reporter," once before a valued feature of this newspaper, herewith is restored. Topics will be timely and suggestions welcome. Persons interviewed are chosen at random and may take any side of a question they wish. Next Sunday's subject will be: "Who do you think will get the republican presidential nomination and why?")

# Army Tries to Plug Dike Break 3rd Crest Salem Float Tops Rose Parade

## Near at Portland

PORTLAND, Ore., June 12-(AP)—Army engineers began an ingenious attempt today to drop a plug into a narrow flood channel and save a \$43,000,000 aluminum plant near here.

The attempt began as the costliest Columbia river flood in history climbed slowly here toward its third crest in three weeks. Five deaths were reported yesterday.

The known flood toll rose to 39 lives tonight. The body of a man not immediately identified was discovered in a Kelso, Wash., drainage ditch. Earlier today an army duck operating in the flood area of Vanport recovered the body of Hiram M. Skagg, 41, Portland, who drowned May 31 when his truck plunged into waters that washed out the Denver avenue dike at Vanport.

Water Stationary: Upriver the situation eased as the crest passed. For the first time in two weeks the water level was stationary at Boundary, Wash. The new crest of 30.2 feet—15.2 above flood level—is expected for three days at Vancouver, Wash., beginning Monday.

At the far end of the stretch is a secondary dike guarding the aluminum plant. Water, its flow constricted by the slough, rose slowly on the secondary dike today.

## Man Blows Out Blaze in Auto

LEBANON, June 12-(Special) Firemen learned a new combat method when they were summoned by city police to extinguish a car blaze at Sherman and Main streets.

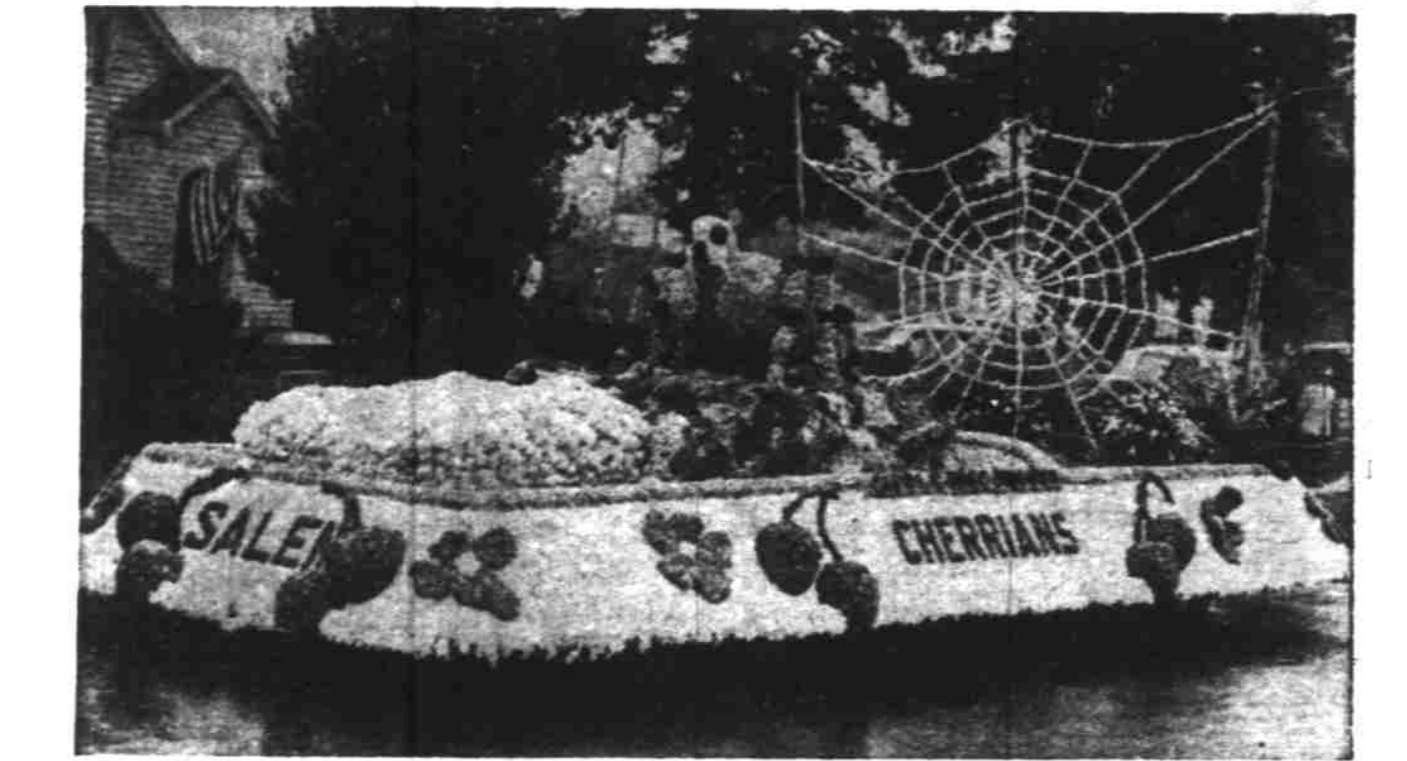
## TO ASK \$50,000,000

PORTLAND, Ore., June 12-(AP) The Portland housing authority reported tonight that Senator Wayne Morse and Rep. Homer Angell plan to ask the senate and house Monday for \$50,000,000 for permanent housing for Oregon flood victims.

# City-School Swimming Pools, Playgrounds to Open Monday

Salem's youngsters can get in the swim—and a variety of other kinds of recreation—Monday when the city-school pools and playgrounds open for the summer.

The weatherman forecasts cloudy skies for Salem Monday, but some swimmers would be out on opening day if they had to break ice.



"Little Miss Muffet," the Salem Cherrians' float (above) swept all honors in the non-commercial division at the Portland Rose Festival parade Saturday. Martha Durette, queen of the 1947 Salem Cherry Festival, was "Miss Muffet" aboard the local entry as it wended through Rose City streets. Shown behind Miss Durette's tuft is an eerie spider of calendulas, white larkspurs, red gladioli, blue cornflowers, roses, daisies and delphiniums. Spider's web is of white larkspur. (Oregon Journal photo.)

# Truman Accuses Reds of 'Coercion, Aggression' 'Miss Muffet' Wins Portland Sweepstakes

BERKELEY, Calif., June 12-(AP)—President Truman accused Russia today of "obstruction and aggression," endangering world peace.

The refusal of the Soviet Union to work with its wartime allies for world recovery and world peace," he said, "is the most bitter disappointment of our time."

## Knapp Lone Candidate for School Board

An expected race for a directorship on the Salem school board, at the June 21 election, disappeared suddenly Saturday with the withdrawal of Fred Remington from the race.

Dr. M. E. Gadwa said he had dropped plans to file a petition he had taken out. Deadline for candidates' filing was Saturday.

## Youth Hostel Camp Planned At Sunnyside

A Salem youth hostel camp will probably be established on the YWCA's Creswood Acres outdoor recreation area in the Sunnyside district, eight miles south of Salem, Don Douris, local youth hostel adviser, said Saturday.

## Quakers Oppose Draft

NEWBERG, June 11-(Special)—Quaker delegates from Oregon, Washington and Idaho, meeting here today in their annual convocation, unanimously passed a resolution opposing the national draft act approved in the U.S. senate this week.

In addition to pools and playgrounds at Olinger and Leslie fields, the playground atop the city reservoir at Rural and John streets will be open but without regular supervision.

# Approval Of Senate Expected

WASHINGTON, June 12-(AP) The senate appropriations committee voted tonight to restore most of the funds slashed from the European recovery program by the house.

The committee action went a long way toward answering the pleas of Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) and Secretary of State Marshall for enough money to "keep faith" with Europe and prevent the recovery program from becoming "one of mere relief."

The senators recommended a total of \$5,055,000,000 for the first year of the 16-nation recovery effort. The house had voted enough funds to bring the initial outlay up to the same total, but directed that the money must last an extra three months.

This would have meant a cut estimated by Paul G. Hoffman, administrator of the recovery program, at more than \$1,400,000,000.

The senate committee's bill now goes before the full senate probably early next week, where it is expected to be approved without major change. Then will come the task of trying to reconcile senate and house versions.

# Detroit Dam Fund, Power Facilities Given Approval

Rep. Walter Norblad informed the Oregon Statesman Saturday that the house had passed a joint conference-approved bill appropriating \$3,500,000 for the Detroit dam.

A Vanport float took second place in the annual parade, which was reviewed by thousands who lined the route. A drizzling rain failed to dampen spirits.

# West Linn Entry Tops List of Winners at Salem Rose Show

By Lillie L. Madsen Garden Editor, The Statesman  
McGregory's Triumph, a stately rose, exhibited by A. E. Deschamps of West Linn, won grand sweepstakes award at the conclusion of judging at Salem's third annual rose and flower arrangement show which opened at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Salem armory.

Judges, who made the grand sweepstakes selection on basis of form, color, substance, stem and foliage and size, were Mrs. Robert M. Steward, Mrs. L. C. Pershing, Mrs. Marshall Yeager, Mrs. Burtis Coxley and Mrs. Paul Mead, all of Portland, and Dr. Henry Hartman and A. G. B. Bouquet of Corvallis.

Runners-up for top honor were McGregor's Ivory, the variety which topped all roses at the Portland show, exhibited here by Charles F. Lion of West Linn, winning sweepstakes in the advanced amateur division; Sweet Sixteen, resembling Peace in coloring, exhibited by Mrs. G. K. Kurre of Dallas, and sweepstakes winner in the horticulture division, and Grand Duchess Charlotte, a beautiful red, exhibited by Clarice Waters, and sweepstakes winner in the junior division.

The Gold Medal certificate went to Robert G. Brady, Jr., on a delightful moss rose, reminiscent of earlier days. George Alling, Salem Rosarian, won the silver medal certificate on his exhibition of City of New York, To Charles Anderson of Eugene, went the American Rose Society bronze medal certificate on his Nigger Boy polyanthus while the bronze medal went to E. D. Burres, on his Peace.

That it is a good rose year was very evident in the quality of bloom in the 531 entries made by 75 exhibitors. Dr. Earl W. Benson, president of the Salem Rose society, as well as Olive Schenck, chairman of the show committee, expressed great pleasure in the amount of entries as well as their quality. (Prize awards on page 17.)

OUR SENATORS  
WON 3-1; LOST 3-2