

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Berlin is the lever by which Russia hopes to pry the allies out of all Germany. The closure of the railroad gateway in violation of inter-power agreement is ostensibly to get the allies out of Germany's old capital. Really it is to force a fresh meeting of the council of foreign ministers where the USSR hopes to gain concessions that will put all of Germany in the path of its penetration.

What precipitated the pulling of the drawingstr about Berlin was the proclamation of a new German state in the west and the issuance of a new currency. Russia saw that a Germany recreated under the western allies would be lost to communism for the present at least. It saw also that a revived industry in the Ruhr would with the help of ECA bring western Europe to life and strength. Economic prosperity there would threaten soviet controls in the satellite states.

The pressure of slow strangulation of the western sectors of Berlin is not just a sample of caprice but a link in the chain of soviet policy. In general that is to lay the basis for a subsequent absorption of all Germany within the soviet-communist orbit. To that end Russia opposes the Marshall plan because it prefers a weakened west Europe. It demands a share in control of the Ruhr though it lowers the iron curtain against any allied look-in in east Germany. It opposes a west Germany state because that is organized on a federal basis and Russia prefers a centralized state as one easier to handle. It opposes currency revaluation because that

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Holy City Truce Honored; Jews Bomb Damascus

By Max Boyd
CAIRO, July 17—(AP)—Fighting stopped in Jerusalem today but the war roared on elsewhere in Palestine.

Twin-engined planes bombed Tel Aviv in seven sorties today, the Israeli government announced. One of the raiders was shot down. Israeli planes struck at Arab troop concentrations and communications in the Tulkarm area of

TEL AVIV, Israel, July 17—(AP)—Damascus, capital of Syria, was bombed today by Israeli airplanes. It was officially announced tonight.

central Palestine and at Syrian concentrations at Mishmar and Hay Yarden in northern Galilee. Count Folke Bernadotte headed for the Holy Land with the belief that the Arabs will accept the United Nations cease-fire order before the three-day time limit expires Sunday. Israel accepted the cease-fire yesterday provided the Arabs agree.

But there is little expectation here the Arabs will obey the U.N. order. Many Arabs here believe the Arab states will (1) continue fighting, (2) wait to see whether the security council will adopt sanctions and (3) then decide whether to impose counter-sanctions, such as suspending oil deliveries to the United States navy and western Europe.

Firing stopped in Jerusalem after a tumultuous night of fighting. Guns thundered to the final second before a 4 a.m. (9 p.m. EST) deadline.

FLYING DISCS REPORTED
The recent revival of flying disc stories came to Salem Saturday when two objects — "too high to be airplanes and looking like ash trays" were reported traveling north about 9:50 a. m. by Gwenlyn Klings of 730 Market st.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

STATE FISH HATCHERY

"I love you, too, Farnsworth—but you'll have to speak to the superintendent."

Music-Drama Ends Fete Tonight

Oregon's History Depicted

Salem's 1948 Cherryland festival will close four days of celebration tonight as the music-drama "Songs of Oregon" is presented at the state fairgrounds. The program will start at 8:30 p. m.

Thousands of Salem area residents and visitors participated in and viewed the parades and pageantry of the festival, revived in 1947 after two decades of inactivity.

Children Applauded
An Uncle Sam and his sister, a trio of 2½-year-old blondes, a clown, a girl whose baby buggy passenger was a dog, a long-skirted cyclist and a girl pushing her baby's stroller won the first prize Saturday when the festival's children's parade was revived. (All winners listed on page 11).

Nearly 100 youngsters under eight years of age were applauded as they walked and rode through downtown streets. The parade also included the royal court, Salem Eagles junior drum and bugle corps and dancers from the Armstrong school.

As the parade formed at Marion square, at least one balloon every minute escaped skyward as some child forgot and let loose. But the Cherrians, who directed the parade and gave a balloon to every entrant, saw that nearly all lost balloons were replaced.

Festival Climax
The colorful history of Oregon will be told tonight in song and story on a stage setting in front of the main grandstand to climax the celebration.

Soloist will be Lucile Cummings, formerly of Salem, now starred at Radio City Music hall, New York. Heard with Miss Cummings is to be the Salem Oratorio society chorus, directed by Melvin H. Geist.

The "Song" uses narrative and early Oregon scenes as descriptive phrases for the musical numbers that make up the pageant. The drama briefly sketches important steps in the Oregon country's past from 1788 to July, 1858.

Salem Girl Featured
The musical drama was written by Carl Ritchie, who also directs the dramatic sections. A narrator carries the story along. Instrumental music is to be supplied by the Salem municipal band.

Miss Cummings will sing "Hills of Home," "You'll Never Walk Alone," "Hills" and "Recessional," as solos. "Battle Hymn of the Republic" will be sung by her as a finale with the chorus.

The chorus will sing "Land of the Empire Builders," "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," "Onward, Ye People," "A Mighty Fortress," "The Banks of the Sacramento," "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and an early American folk melody.

Children's Cherryland Royalty



These three cycling maids were top tricycle division winners Saturday in the revived Cherryland festival children's parade. For Janet Franklin, 6, (center), history repeated itself, for she won first in a local cycle contest a month ago. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Franklin, 838 S. 12th st. Second place was taken by LaDonna Mae Hassensstab, 5 (left), daughter of Mrs. Leon Davidson, 534 N. Winter st. Third was won by Alexandra Bradford, 6, (right) daughter of Mrs. Alexander Bradford, 1796 N. Capitol st. (All photos by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.) (Additional pictures and story page 11.)



More winners in the children's colorful parade were Ted Chamberlin, 2½, as King Bing, and Terry (left) and Sherry Boyer, 2½, as Royal Amnes, in the wagon entries. Ted is the son of Lt. and Mrs. Claude L. Chamberlin, and the twins are daughters of Mr. and Mrs. William O. Boyer, all of 2370 Cherry ave. At right is Linda Chapman, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Chapman, Salem route 6, box 157F, whose baby buggy's passenger is the dog Puddles.



Brother and sister acts proved popular among children's parade entries. Eight-year-old Patty Claggett, and her 16-month-old sister Carolyn Ann, (left) daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Claggett, 818 Kingswood dr., won first in the stroller division. First for bicycles went to Dale Jack Spoelstra, 9 (right) who as Uncle Sam pulled a wagon carrying his sister Janice Jean, 3. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spoelstra.

Oregon Hospital Escapes Caught In Los Angeles

PORTLAND, July 17—(AP)—State police reported today the capture at Los Angeles of an attendant and an inmate who escaped from the Oregon state hospital early this month.

Identified as Edgar Marion Watson, 49, an inmate, and Robert Burr, 21, attendant, they were brought to Clackamas county to face charges of assault, robbery and theft of an automobile.

They are accused of robbing Winford Green, Milwaukie bartender, in a highway motel near Concord after their escape. Green was found tied up in the motel July 3. His car was recovered at Eugene.

Watson, committed from Washington county, walked away from the state institution while serving as an outside trustee.

The two were arrested by Los Angeles sheriff's deputies after a coastwide pickup notice had been distributed.

The Winners!

On page 13 today appear the winners in the first week's competition of The Oregon Statesman's SUMMER PHOTO CONTEST.

The second week's competition now is open — until midnight Wednesday, July 21.

There is no age limit, no entry fee, no obligations. Entries must have been taken since June 1, 1948. Only amateurs are entitled to compete — those who take pictures solely for a hobby or for the family album.

Full details of the contest with its four classifications (1—Children—animals; 2—Fictorial— scenery; 3—Portrait—character study; 4—News—sports) on page 13.

RADIO STATION TO OPEN

NEWPORT, July 17—(AP)—Radio station KNPT will formally open tomorrow.

Police Seek Cause of Blast

A mysterious blast in North Salem sent three police cars to the area early this morning seeking the cause. The explosion, or earth-shaking occurred near midnight last night.

City police received numerous telephone calls from the zone, ranging from north Summer street to north 18th street in the 1200 block, all calls reporting that the explosion occurred north of that area.

FORD WORKERS VOTE

DETROIT, July 17—(AP)—The 116,000 Ford Motor Co. production workers across the nation are finishing a strike vote this week end.

Union spokesmen predicted they would favor the walk-out by a large majority.

Weather

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	83	68	.00
Portland	83	68	.00
San Francisco	64	53	trace
Chicago	60	60	.00
New York	77	69	trace

Willamette river 42 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today and tonight. Fair Monday. High today near 83, low near 61. Farming conditions excellent, but dusting and spraying to be hindered by afternoon winds.

Italian Reds Attack Town

ROME, July 17—(AP)—Italian soldiers and police in armored cars were closing in tonight on 3,000 communist-led insurgents who took to the hills after terrorizing a village near Florence.

Troops from Florence and Siena were rushed to Abbazia San Salvatore last night after nearly half the town's population rose up in violence. They attacked the telephone station, spread terror through the streets and shot a policeman to death.

It was the only report of violence in Italy tonight as the nation returned to normal.

B-29 Flight Zooms Into British Bases

Dixiemens Pick Two On Ticket

By Leroy Simms
BIRMINGHAM, July 17—(AP)—Defiant Dixie democrats named two southern governors today to head a campaign to defeat Mr. Truman in the solid south in November.

J. Strom Thurmond, 45, of South Carolina, was chosen as presidential candidate. Fielding L. Wright, 53, of Mississippi was named for vice president.

Angered over what both candidates termed "a stab in the back" at the democratic convention earlier this week, the tumultuous meeting gave shouting agreement to assertions the south will never surrender local control on racial issues.

Neither candidate made any claim of victory but both promised to show the national party "the real democratic party is in the south."

Campaigns were planned in 15 states including Missouri, home of Mr. Truman.

The resolution nominating the two men also called another meeting of southern revolters here Oct. 1. Unlike today's session, the October meeting would be limited to delegates from each state numbering the same as their presidential electors.

In seconding the two nominations, Sen. Eastland (D-Miss), made the forecast that "the race next November is between Gov. Thurmond and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey."

"Truman will not get a single electoral vote," he shouted.

Nomination of both candidates was by acclamation.

Blazing Truck Extinguished At Fire Station

LEBANON, July 17—A fire came to the Lebanon fire department Friday evening and grateful, firemen extinguished it without moving a truck, clanging a bell or swinging an ax.

Bill's Garbage service truck, while making its rounds, suddenly caught fire about two blocks north of the station on Main street. The driver sped his burden of blazing garbage right up to the station where fire fighters quickly hoisted it out. The truck was not damaged.

Gen. Hershey Re-Appointed Draft Director

By Arthur S. Roberts
WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—Major Gen. Lewis B. Hershey (R) his old job back today.

As director of selective service again.

Hershey's formal re-appointment by President Truman was another step toward national preparedness as unrest in Europe continued.

The task of assembling manpower is one with which Hershey is highly familiar.

He first was appointed director of selective service in 1941 and was responsible for setting up the organization under which 10,000,000 men eventually were supplied the armed forces, and under which some 36,000,000 men were registered and classified for military service.

This time Hershey's prime job is the registration of youths 18 through 25 under the new peacetime draft act.

An executive order dealing with registration will be issued by President Truman next week, the White House announced.

The order in which various age groups will be called among those eligible for service under the draft has not yet been disclosed.

Registration of males from 18 through 25 is expected to begin about August 16.

Salem Riders, 'Baldy' Win at Horse Show

By Les Cour
Staff Writer, The Statesman
Salem horsemen rode to six first places and Watson's "Baldy" won his third tug-of-war victory over man during the Salem Cherryland festival horse show Saturday night before a packed grandstand at the state fairgrounds track.

In a nonchalant and disinterested manner, the 2,000-pound draught horse gave one tug on the 100-yard rope, sprawling his two husky opponents along the dusty track. The time was three seconds.

Two Opponents
Beaten by the unconquerable steed were two huskies, Bill Sparhawk and Jess Carler, both of Salem. In a previous performance, "Baldy" outpulled individual strongmen at Waterloo and Portland. A three-foot length of pipe held by the men Saturday was pulled into the shape of a bow by "Baldy's" tremendous strength.

Salem swept all four top positions in the parade class. Rose Franke, riding Silver King, won first place and Mrs. Harry Garson second place with Ribbon Girl. Bert Bileau and Tooty Minden were third and fourth respectively.

Van Weider Wins
Salem Saddle clubbers took two heats of the stake - bending race and Benton County Sheriff's posse the third. The Benton county posse was second in the third heat; Linn County Sheriff's posse second in the first heat, and Silverton Saddle club second in the second heat.

Van Weider of Salem romped home first in the obstacle race, posting the creditable time of 1 minute, 3 seconds. Bill Reed and Virgil Dudley of the Benton County posse were second and third respectively.

Scurry race victor was Ray Garlick of Salem, who posted a fast 39 seconds. Peggy Turley and Dot Gray, both of Salem, were second and third in the event.

The rough - and - tumble balloon race was punctured by Al Ingalls of Salem.

Queen Watches
The Benton county team of Eddie Larkin and Don Applegate captured the musical barrel competition.

Bill Armstrong of Linn County posse won the rags-to-riches event with Arthur Mulchay of Silverton taking second position.

Ten-year old Orval Schryder of Willamina threw a neat lasso to win easily in the junior goat roping contest.

Graham Sharkey was general chairman of the show. "Pop" Potter was judge and Bud Woods ever-enthusiastic announcer. Red Dunning and his Portland cowboys from station KOIN furnished entertainment and music for the event.

Interested spectators were Cherryland Queen Lois Eggers and her royal court escorted by Salem Cherrians.

Mt. Angel Girl To Reign over Bean Festival

STAYTON, July 17—(Special)—Lorraine Walker of Mt. Angel was chosen over eight other princesses to rule the Stayton Bean festival July 27 to 31 as the queen selection finals here tonight.

The 17-year-old queen-elect is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Walker, route 1, Mt. Angel, and a graduate of Mt. Angel academy. She is the youngest of a family of eight, has brown hair, brown eyes, weighs 132 pounds and is 5 feet 5 inches tall. Her sister, Shirley Walker, was queen of the 1946 Flax festival.

Judges Rudolph Schenk and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haines, all of McMinnville, were unanimous in their choice.

Master of Ceremonies Gene Malceki introduced the queen-elect at a pre-festival dance held at the tennis courts following the selection.

Other queen candidates were Marie Fery, Stayton; Dorothy Gilbert, Aumsville; Rosemary Breitenstein, Sublimity; Norma Jean Devine Gates, Clatsop; Bell, Detroit; Joy Nadine Young, Selo; Margaret Swanny, Jefferson; and Beatrice Stinnet, Turner. Mrs. Kenneth Hanson, Stayton, is official chaperon.

SIX AMERICANS KILLED

HONG KONG, July 17—(AP)—At least six Americans and two Canadians were listed tonight among 25 dead in the crash of a flying boat en route from Macao to Hong Kong.

Meat Rationing, Oleo Tax Cut Added for Congressional Study

WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—Meat rationing and oleomargarine tax repeal were added today to the legislative bill - of - fare that congress will look over when it returns a week from Monday.

A new anti-communism bill also was an added starter. Proposals for all three came from the lawmakers themselves, not from the White House.

Some guarded talk was heard of possible investigations - inquiries conducted by the republican majority which would probe the workings of some of the executive agencies controlled by democrats. But the republicans weren't telling - yet - just what they had in mind.

The president has advocated stand-by ration and price control powers, although he did not confine the proposal to meat.

Repeal of federal oleomargarine taxes was pledged by the democratic party's 1948-model platform.

American Air Might Displayed

SCAMPTON, England, July 17—(AP)—Giant Superfortresses flying with fully loaded guns zoomed into British bases today in a spectacular display of America's air might.

They were manned chiefly by combat-hardened crews. They touched down at Scampton, Waddington and Marham fields on the western edge of East Anglia — the flat country from which the Eighth air force mounted its World War II air attacks against Germany. Those fields were chosen as bases because of the length of their runways.

The Superfort's bomb bays were empty. When the planes landed, the gunners carefully removed the belts of ammunition from the gun feedways. The crews were confined to their bases for 48 hours. No explanation was given.

In Weisbaden, Germany, Lt. Gen. Curtis E. Lemay said the Superforts will engage in simulated bombing missions while in Britain. He said they also will engage in "normal routine training flights."

Lemay, commander of the U.S. air force in Europe, said the huge B-29s probably will land at U. S. bases in Germany "from time to time during the course of their missions."

Menonites to Run Hospital At Lebanon

LEBANON, July 17—(Special)—Lebanon General hospital was turned over to the Menonite church board of missions of the Pacific coast by a group of local doctors today.

The hospital has been operated for 26 years by Mary and Martha Schuler, sisters. It was owned, however, by Drs. N. M. Irvine, Joel Booth and Ralph Heron. The three owners, in cooperation with Drs. Frank Girod and M. O. Perkins, purchased the hospital's equipment from the sisters for \$25,000.

The equipment plus the doctors' ownership, valued at about \$35,000, was turned over to the Menonite group to operate until a new hospital is built next year. The old hospital then will be sold and the proceeds used in the new hospital fund.

The new Lebanon Community hospital also will be operated by the Menonite board. A fund drive, now three weeks old, has raised \$200,000. The hospital is to cost \$450,000.

OUR SENATORS

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