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"No Favor Sways Us; No Fear Shall Awe"

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Portland Journal Transforms a "Market"

The Oregon Journal held open house to members of the press from over the Pacific coast last Tuesday, introducing them to its new publishing plant in the former public market building in Portland. Oregon folk have long been familiar with the spacious building down by the waterfront, which did not succeed as a public market and became a financial headache to the building company, the RFC and the city of Portland. Bought by the Journal, it has been wonderfully transformed into a large, efficient newspaper plant. That it has been made at once attractive and workable is the product of the combined efforts of the architects, engineers and Journal executives.

The length of the building made it readily adapted to a streamlined operation. All the heavy machinery is on the main floor. Copy pours into the composing room from the adjacent advertising departments and the newsroom on the mezzanine floor. The stereotype department opens off the composing and makeup room. Curved plates from this department go by conveyor to the great new presses. Printed papers travel by conveyor to the mailing room, are bundled and then dropped through chutes into delivery trucks. Operations are handled by machinery as much as possible.

The 16 units of Hoe presses give the Journal the largest single press installation in the northwest. They can produce 135,000 40-page papers per hour.

The building plan provides for an imposing marble-bordered entrance, an ample lobby flanked by the circulation and advertising divisions. Generous space is provided for news and editorial and press service departments, executive offices and accounting. Upper floors are used for truck and car parking and paper storage. The Journal's helicopter has its "landing strip" and hangar on the roof.

Particularly pleasing is the color scheme. The exterior of concrete is done in light sand color, with dark green window sash. The walls of the interior are in beige and the supporting columns in a striking persimmon red. New desks are of grey metal. Floors are terrazzo in the entrance and lobby, wood blocks and asphalt tile in the working departments.

The Journal family are very proud of its new quarters and they have a right to be. The Journal itself represents a solid achievement, a product of the vision of C. S. Jackson, its founder, and of the able men and women who have been associated with it. As a means of communicating the news and as an organ influencing public opinion, the Journal should derive new strength from its new environment.

New Party and the Commies

Sen. Glen Taylor, vice-presidential heir on the New party ticket, admits the pink communists will support him and Henry Wallace and he refuses to renounce their backing. Even some of the red communists may vote for the third party candidates, Taylor says, though predicting they will vote for Dewey (of all things). One has to be colorblind not to see the pinks and the reds getting behind Wallace and Taylor, though there is always the chance of an order from Moscow calling for a switch of allegiance.

The Americans for Democratic Action (heirs of the late FDR new deal) make the gravest charge against the Wallace-Taylor party:

"Mr. Wallace's candidacy (for president) does not obscure the fact that the communists and their collaborators guide the main policies and word the major pronouncements of this (new) party."

It is noteworthy that while the New party platform denounces imperialism all round the globe, including the American brand, it is silent about Russia and Berlin, and Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia. That silence is eloquent.

A Near-Centurian Passes

It is given to few men to live a century of time, yet that was the life span, lacking a few months, of Madison L. Jones. One of the fast-dwindling company of folk who crossed the plains by ox team, it was his privilege to see Oregon become a state, to increase in population, in wealth, in culture. It was his privilege, also, to make an important contribution to that progress.

While his primary interest was farming, in which he pioneered in the reclaiming of the rich Lake Labish lands lying north of Salem, Mr. Jones was also deeply interested in public affairs. He served in the legislature but chiefly he exerted his influence as a citizen, showing a sturdy independence and firmness of conviction on issues of the day. He and Mrs. Jones reared a fine family of two sons and three daughters who have carried on the family tradition of able and responsible citizenship.

The passing of such a man in the extended fullness of years is an occasion of pride rather than sorrow, for his life was complete in experience and rich in its bequest of character and achievement.

Slot Machine Operator Robbed

A slot machine impressario and night club owner was robbed of \$6300 down Portland way the other night. The thieves knew where to go for a profitable stickup. The sheriff of Clackamas county says the victim was the biggest slot machine operator in his county—which is a real confession of his own lack of law enforcement. The robbers violated the law and should be brought to book. What, we wonder, will the Clackamas county sheriff do about the slot machines which also violate the law?

In Portland someone got his wires crossed and two Chinese lottery places were raided Wednesday. Slot machines in white clubs had resumed the first of the month and the Chinese were set to start Wednesday—after several months of closed town policy. Perhaps the Chinese places raided hadn't made their peace with authorities. What Portland is watching for is what happens in January when Mrs. Dorothy Lee takes over the mayor's spot.

The University of California is establishing a virus laboratory which may become the finest of its kind in the world, rivalling in fame the university's radio station laboratory with its cyclotron. Research in the still-little-known field of the viruses will be directed by Dr. Wendell M. Stanley, a Nobel prize-winner, formerly with the Rockefeller Institute. Generously supported by the rich state of California, the university ranks as one of the best in the world in its contribution to learning.

The sale of a quarter section of timber land in Linn county for some \$160,000 is one that merited the front page news position it received in the Oregon press. The owner inherited the land 40 years ago when it was assessed at \$2000. Now it brings \$1000 an acre but the assessment had been reduced to \$1600 for the tract. The Albany Democrat Herald says the future assessment will be \$2500! That ratio is about one and one-half per cent. We don't believe the Linn county farmers are going to like it.



Dark Horse Who May Decide the Election

Berlin Crisis Peace Stops All War Risks

By Joseph and Stewart Alsop
WASHINGTON, July 22 — "In that brown manila envelope," remarked one of the makers of American foreign policy, "I have six different plans for dealing with the Berlin crisis. And every one of them of necessity involves the risk of war."

It is hard to believe that war is now a serious possibility — the mind refuses to accept it. Yet every one in a position to know the facts, from President Truman and Secretary of State George Marshall on down, is grimly aware that the Russian blockade of Berlin might lead to war before next winter.

This terrible fact is underlined by the dispatch a few days ago of 60 B-29 bombers to England. This means simply that the situation is now considered so serious that the American trump must be readily available for use against the soviet ace, and the soviet must know that it is available.

High Hand Wins

The soviet ace is of course the fact that the red army can, at the word of command, from the Kremlin, fight to the shores of the Atlantic. The American trump (by reason of our unpreparedness a far less decisive trump than most people imagine) is the capacity to strike at the vital of the soviet economy with long-range bombers. By reason of its huge army, the Soviet Union is always potentially in a position

to make war. And the United States, because of Berlin, is now beginning to move into a war position.

This does not mean that any one in a position of authority wants war, or believes that war is inevitable. It does mean that the Americans and the British (the French, by reason of their exposed position are naturally hesitant) have made certain crucial decisions.

Point of Honor

The Anglo-Americans have decided that a retreat from Berlin under the blockade threat would be wholly disastrous and would in time lead inevitably to war. Therefore we will not leave Berlin, at least while the soviet pistol is pointed at our heads. This in turn entails the certainty of some sort of showdown with the Russians this summer, since the air lift operation is purely a temporary expedient. It is hoped and believed that this showdown will lead to a general settlement, which will allow the western nations to get on with the job of building a free and prosperous Atlantic community. But it is recognized that the showdown may conceivably lead to war.

The decision not to retreat, at least as far as the Americans and British are concerned, is wholly firm. Yet no firm decision has been taken, despite the constant humming of the wires between the three western capitals, on the specific course of action which the western allies should pursue. One course, consisting of five separate steps, has, however, been seriously discussed.

Five Steps

1. The western reply to the soviet note will be delivered soon after the end of the Brussels five-nation conference. It will take a firm line, but it will not close the door to further negotiation, subject only to the proviso that we cannot negotiate while the blockade is in force.

2. If the blockade is not lifted, the soviet action will be referred to the security council as a threat to peace. The security council will order the blockade lifted.

3. If the soviet veto, an emergency meeting of the general assembly will be called. The west-

ern allies will place the case before the assembly and announce their decision to supply blockaded Berlin by whatever means may be necessary. Support for this decision by the assembly will presumably be forthcoming.

4. We shall then notify the Russians that an armored train or truck convoy will depart from the western zones at a specified date with the mission of supplying Berlin. This step has already been informally discussed between General Lucius Clay and British General Sir Brian Robertson, and between American Ambassador to London Lewis Douglas and British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin. Contrary to reports, however, it has not been advanced as an immediate move, but only as a last resort if such preliminary moves as those outlined above fail.

5. If the Russians have maintained their blockade through this whole series of steps, the convoy will be ordered to proceed on its fateful mission.

Tentative Plans

This plan is tentative, particularly points 4 and 5. No plan has as yet been finally decided upon. Something quite different may be evolved, especially because of French hesitations. Yet that some such plan is being seriously discussed is in itself illuminating. For there is no disguising the great risks involved. The greatest risk springs simply from the fact that the soviet might refuse to retreat in the face of this sort of pressure, not because they want war, but simply because the loss of face would be too public and too humiliating.

The real problem for the makers of western policy, as one of the wisest of them sees it, is twofold. One prong is somehow to persuade the Russians that we do not want war, but that we will be forced out of Berlin only at the cost of war. The second prong is to give the Russians some means of relatively graceful retreat. For despite evidence to the contrary, most of the experts are still convinced that the Russians do not want to fight. They point to reliable intelligence reports which indicate that no real Russian preparations have as yet been made for war in the immediate future; no soviet forward stockpiles are being built up, no troops are being maneuvered into position for an advance to the west. That is the only shaft of light in a situation of otherwise unrelieved darkness.

IT SEEMS TO ME

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permit Dewey and Warren to carry another state or two. Tennessee might be one — it already has a fairly strong republican organization which elects some congressmen and rarely a governor.

The anti-Truman, anti-civil rights southerners are again fighting a lost cause, unless their prime object is to defeat Truman. The mounting pressures of the times call for recognition of fundamental human rights without regard to race or color. It ought not to be necessary for congress to act to provide punishment for lynchings and to ban imposition of the poll tax. The states should have attended to these matters long ago, not only in law but in practice.

It is by no means certain that congressional action will be fully effective in this field. It may stir antagonisms that will fan anew the flames of prejudice. But in their own delay in acting to recognize essential rights, the southern politicians have invited federal action to make real the promises of the constitution.

Hosteler Group Make Bike Trip

Youth Hostel society of Salem bicycled to Belcrest Memorial park Wednesday night. In the group were Don Douris, leader; Walter Jones, president; Shirley Dean, Wayne Rogers and Milton Rickman. The purpose of the trip was to acquaint the group with interesting spots around Salem and to prepare for the four-day bicycle trip down the Oregon coast in August.

Home Economics Dean Visits Orient On Summer Tour

Ava B. Milam, dean of home economics at Oregon State college, has been spending the summer revisiting the orient. She has spent much time in China where there are a number of her former students.

In a recent letter to Dr. Frank Brown she tells of a trip she made to Bangkok, Siam, where she met with success in her effort to "sow the seeds for the development of home economics in the aid of Secretary Zimmerman of the local YMCA she held conferences with the ministry of education to urge it to send young women to this country to study home economics and then to return to Siam. She was optimistic that its decision would be favorable, so that her trip would "make history" for the education of women in Siam.

From Bangkok, Miss Milam was to fly back to Hongkong and then go to the Philippine islands for nine weeks of intensive work in conferences and meetings.

GOP, Progressive Candidates File For Precinct Posts

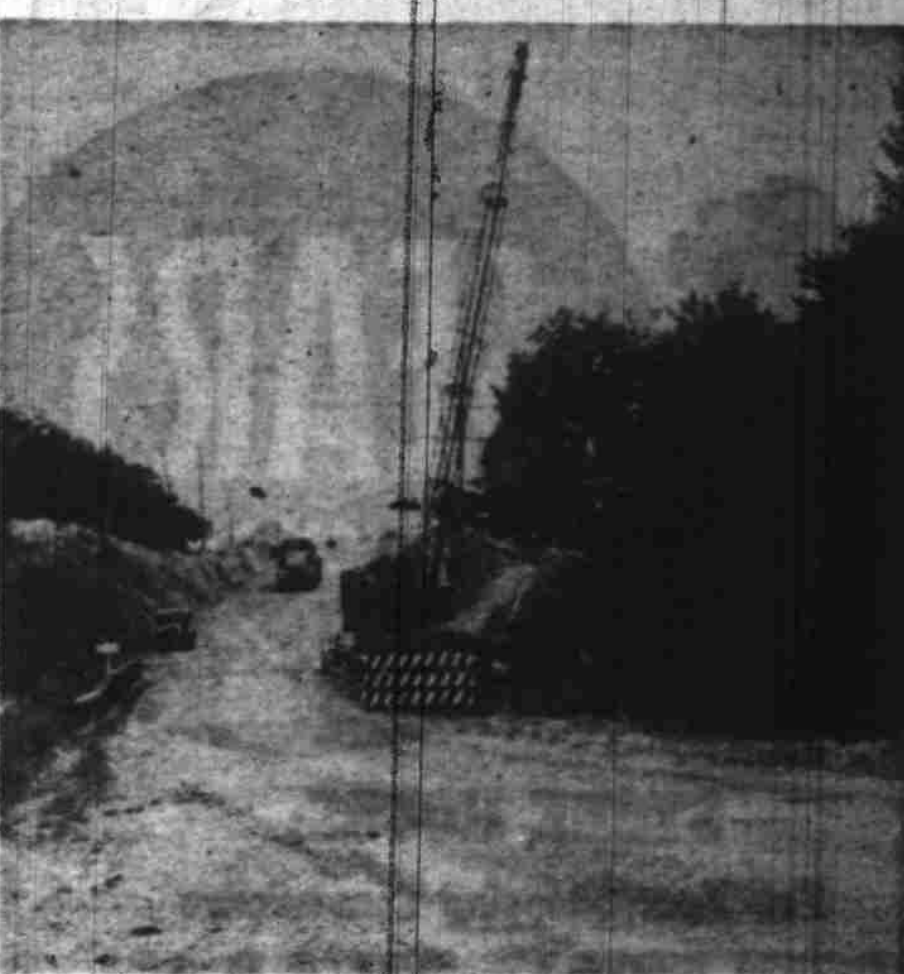
Precinct committee posts for the democratic party in Marion county remained without candidates today, but the first aspirant had declared her candidacy for a committee position in the new progressive party.

Pearl D. Formick, 2460 E. Nob Hill st., is seeking the office of committeewoman for Salem precinct 33 in the progressive party. Latest among more than 40 candidates on the republican ticket was Marvin H. Stuh, Salem route 7, box 34, for Hayesville precinct.

Candidates for precinct committeeman or woman must file by August 9 with County Clerk Harlan Judd.

RECORD PRICE REPORTED
PORTLAND, July 22 — (AP) — A record price for pine timber — \$40.06 per thousand board feet — was bid by the Tile Pine company, Roseburg, on Deschutes county timber, the bureau of land management reported today.

Improving Road to Silverton



Widening of the Salem-Silverton highway this summer calls for widening the bridge shown above located about six miles from Salem. State highway crews are working on a six-mile strip in this area, widening and straightening the road. The crane pictured above is dredging footings and driving piles for the added width to the present bridge. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer.)

Plans to Bring DPs to Salem Under Study

Tentative plans looking toward bringing of one or more families of displaced persons from Europe to Salem were under way today through the YMCA and local church and service groups. A meeting of several representatives this week called for further information on steps to follow and handling of expenses.

The plan was discussed before the group by Frank B. Herz, traveling secretary of the Y's international committee.

The displaced persons in mind, it was stated, are former YMCA staff workers in European countries. The men are all well educated and all have studied in this country.

Permit Signed For Underpass

Public Utilities Commissioner George H. Flagg Thursday signed an order permitting the state highway commission to construct a crossing under the tracks of the Union Pacific railroad company in connection with relocation of the Columbia river highway between Portland and the Sandy river near Troutdale.

Highway department officials said the present volume of vehicular movements over the Sundial crossing to be eliminated was estimated at 1,948 per day and that the realigned location of the highway was expected to carry in excess of 4,000 vehicles daily at this point.

Cost of the construction would be borne by the federal government.

4 Children Admit School Vandalism

Four Salem children who admitted to sheriff's deputies the commission of acts of vandalism and destruction in Hazel Green schoolhouse were in custody of the Marion county juvenile court Thursday. It was indicated by the sheriff's office that the parents said they would pay for the approximately \$35 damage caused.

The three girls and a boy, ranging from 13 to 15 years of age, were picking berries in the area at the time of the vandalism, July 8 and 10. Windows were broken out and furnishings thrown about, according to the sheriff's office.

Rivers are estimated to carry two and a half billion tons of salt annually to the ocean.

120 Attend Group Reunion

Members of the Ringo family were hosts for the 58th annual reunion of the Hanson Stevens family Sunday at the state fairgrounds. Present were 120 descendants and their families from Oregon, Washington and California.

Attending with her daughter was Mrs. Alice Dixon, San Jose, Calif., last living direct descendant of Hanson Stevens, who crossed the plains from Iowa in 1852.

Mrs. C. I. Parks, Lebanon, presided at the business meeting. Mrs. Kenneth Brown, Gervais, was elected secretary.

The Safety Valve

Once Carried The Statesman To The Editor:

I want to thank you for the nice writeup you gave our show (Browning Bros. Amusement Co.) in The Statesman of July 8.

You said "The Brownings are proud of the record they have made in the carnival business," and you are very right.

I started carrying The Statesman the same time Art Edwards started, and carried it several years. That was many years ago. We got \$4.50 a week, and that was considered BIG money nearly 50 years ago. I took Art's picture out of your paper and the story about his retirement.

Thanks again.
Yours truly
Fred J. Browning
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GRIN AND BEAR IT

By Lichty



"Show the public how grateful we are for the pay increase, men... Let's get their ads, tax bills and credit reminders to 'em ahead of time..."

Third-Week Entries in The Statesman's SUMMER PHOTO CONTEST

ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED.

No entry fee. No obligations. Anyone May Enter Who Takes Pictures Solely as a Hobby or for the Family Album.

Four classifications: (1) Children - animals; (2) portrait - character study; (3) pictorial - scenery; (4) News - sports.
Weekly prizes in each classification: \$7.50 first, \$5.00 second, \$2.50 third. Grand prize of \$10 in each classification.

Rules of the Contest:

1. Pictures must have been taken since June 1, 1948.
2. Pictures must be on glossy paper, preferably no smaller than 5x7 and no larger than 11x14.
3. On the back of each entry must be pasted a sheet giving your name and address; the classification you are entering; data on the photo, including camera used, film, shutter speed, diaphragm opening, filter, etc., and whenever other information is pertinent including identification of subject matter, date, and conditions under which picture was taken.
4. Entries become the property of The Oregon Statesman and winners will be published in this newspaper.
5. No entries acceptable if they have been or are being entered in other contests, or if taken by other than amateurs.
6. Decision of impartial judges will be final.
7. Entries should be mailed or brought to the Photo Department, The Oregon Statesman, 215 S. Commercial St., Salem, Ore.

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