

Mercury Pushes to 98 in Salem

100-Acre Fire South of City Cuts Phones

Salem perspired through the hottest day of the year Thursday... a searing 98 and prepared for another scorcher this afternoon.

Blaze Destroys Meat Packing Plant

The Salem Meat Co. packing plant at 25th and Mission streets was destroyed by a \$50,000 blaze early today. Salem firemen were still battling the blaze at 3:15 this morning.

Russ Flex Muscles In European Zone, Fire on Berliners

BERLIN, Sept. 9-(AP)—Soviet planes prowled the skies of Northern Europe today and Soviet ships cruised in the Baltic off Denmark in the greatest show of Russian strength since the end of the war.

There was little doubt in military minds here that the Soviet activity was a carefully planned military show designed to impress Europe with Soviet armed might in view of the East-West crisis in Berlin.

Giant Anti-Red Rally Scene of Shooting

BERLIN, Sept. 9-(AP)—Street fighting in which shots were fired by Russian soldiers and their Soviet-supported German police tonight cost the life of at least one Berliner and wounded an undetermined number of others.

The clashes occurred near the historic Bradenburger gate after 200,000 Germans had demonstrated in a nearby square against the Communist drive for power over the blockaded city.

It was a meeting which dwarfed all previous rallies in post-war Berlin. The Communist-sponsored Socialist unity party (Sed) tonight called upon "the workers of Berlin" to mass for a big counter-demonstration Sunday.

Truman Determined to Hold Berlin

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)—President Truman today underscored American determination to stay in Soviet-blockaded Berlin and a White House visitor quoted him as saying "We will not be pushed out."

As the crisis over the German capital tightened, Mr. Truman said a new conference: The United States is standing up for its rights in Berlin, but we are still seeking a peaceful settlement with Russia.

About an hour later Mr. Truman received David Dubinsky, AFL union leader at the White House and discussed the Berlin situation with him.

Washington, Sept. 9-(AP)—Maj. Gen. Thomas E. Riley said today that Oregon's 30 selective service boards will call up 78 men in November for the first peacetime draft.

The state selective service director said each board will furnish at least one inductee, with Multnomah county's five boards probably supplying five men each, and Marion and Lane county boards four men each.

The inductees will be taken from the 25-year old group. There will be no lottery; men will be chosen in order of age—oldest first. Riley said examinations will be conducted in October to decide which men are qualified.

LIGHT "IRON LUNGS" NEW HAVEN, Sept. 9-(AP)—Cheap, featherweight "iron lungs" for polio victims can be made from rubberized cloth or transparent plastic, two Yale upriver scientists said today.

Snafu-Seekers Find Fertile Field in Export License Bureau

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)—Astounded senators dug up these assorted facts today about this government's export license program:

- 1. Nails 2 1/2 and 3 inches long -- badly needed to build homes -- were exported last year as "shoe laces".
- 2. A woman government clerk issued permits to export more than 2,000,000 pounds of lard during a period when the quota was 199,000 pounds.
- 3. A man under suspicion in connection with forged licenses was put on a "watch list" and then two weeks later granted a permit to export a million dollars worth of rice.
- 4. Government officials here continued to use a perforating machine to validate licenses for five months after they learned a similar machine was turning out forged licenses. They explained they lacked \$750 to change the original machine.
- 5. A New York City exporter told about paying \$9,400 for two permits to ship flour to Brazil. He said the money went to another exporter who previously testified to paying more than \$29,000 for 15 export permits that senate investigators say were forged.

Baby Chicks Get Visitors



Baby chicks and baby ducks in the poultry house is one of the big moments for the youngsters at the fair. Here is Jacqueline Gorman, left, Carol DaMetz and Paisy Ann Gorman, all of Salem, gazing over the display in the cage. (Farm Photo for Statesman).

Style Revue Tops Events At Heat-Dominated Fair

Helen Wrostad, 17, Hubbard, route 1, will go to Chicago as a result of winning the annual 4-H style revue of the 83rd Oregon state fair, to compete in the national contest of the 4-H congress. The revue was held Thursday.

State Fair Today

- Friday, Sept. 10 4-H and FFA Day 8 a.m.—Gates open. 9 a.m.—All exhibits open. 10 a.m.—4-H and FFA Fat stock auction. Choosing healthiest 4-H boy and girl.
- 11 a.m.—Free vaudeville acts on midway, organ music, agricultural building, Eugene municipal band concert.
- 1:15—Horse races, Lone Oak Machinery demonstration.
- 6:30—Free vaudeville acts, midway, Eugene municipal band concert.
- 8 p.m.—Helene Hughes State Fair Showboat. Horse show, pavilion.
- 10 p.m.—State fair dances.
- 12--m.—Gates close.

Talmadge in Georgia Saddle

ATLANTA, Sept. 9-(AP)—Herman Talmadge returned to power in Georgia today on a "white supremacy" platform and a wave of resentment against the federal civil rights program.

His nomination for governor in yesterday's democratic primary was overwhelming and a special session of the legislature seemed assured to inaugurate him early in November.

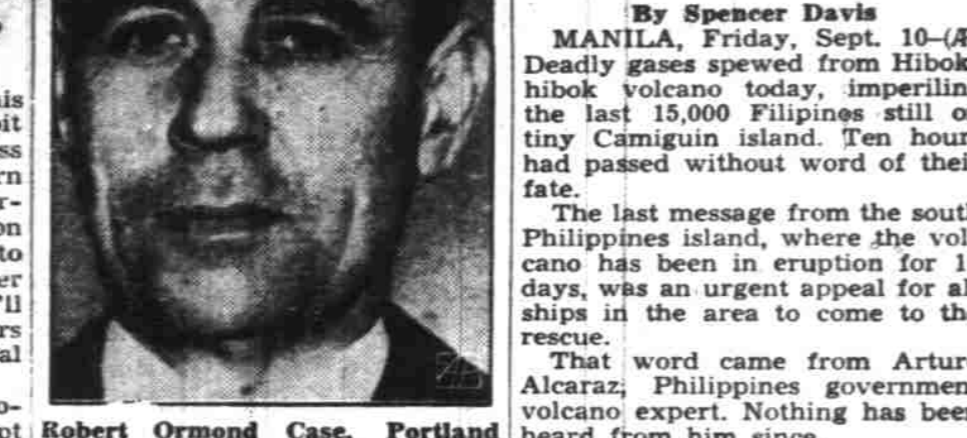
Gov. M. E. Thompson, his rival since the hectic days of the "dual government" 20 months ago, conceded defeat.

From 1,657 out of 1,763 precincts gave him 336,022 to 291,728 for Thompson, and a county unit margin of 322 to 88.

Monday Suggested For Big 4 Conclave

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)—The United States told Russia today that tomorrow is too soon to reopen talks on the fate of Italy's war-lost colonies, and suggested Monday instead.

Monsoon May Save Populace



MANILA, Friday, Sept. 10-(AP) Deadly gases spewed from Hibok-Hibok volcano today imperiling the last 15,000 Filipinos still on tiny Camiguin island. Ten hours had passed without word of their fate.

That word came from Arturo Alcaraz, Philippines government volcano expert. Nothing has been heard from him since. He said acidic ash, probably one of the deadly chlorides, was falling. He ordered a mass evacuation of the island.

There was one ray of cheer for anxious officials here. This is the season of the southwest monsoon. If it is blowing there it will carry the death-dealing gases away from Camiguin's centers of population.

Normally there are from 20 to 30 inter-island vessels somewhere in the vicinity. If they heard Alcaraz's radioed appeal it was unlikely they could reach the island before this morning.

News of what could be one of the great disasters of modern times came yesterday in a frantic radio appeal for rescue ships. It was signed by Alcaraz.

"Acute emergency at Camiguin island. All available boats needed for mass evacuation. Gunsiliban and Binone designated embarkation points. Tinone top priority to ships."

"Rain of acidic ash, probably one of Halogens, has occurred. Order being maintained. Halogens are the chlorine family of elements which create poisonous gases.

Alcaraz had predicted the possibility of just such an eruption. During the first six days of the outbreak by the long-dormant mountain, about 36,000 persons had been removed from island. (Picture on page 13)

Registrations Designated at Salem Schools

New pupils for Salem district school which opens next Monday are to register today in the school of their neighborhood or at the appropriate junior or senior high school.

The registration primarily affects boys and girls who will enter the first grade next week and those pupils who have moved into an area served by a different school than they attended last year.

Children eligible for first grade must be 6 years old by November 15 this year. The Salem school district includes, besides eight grade schools, two junior highs and the senior high school, several suburban schools. These are the elementary and junior high school in West Salem, and grade schools at Liberty, Middle Grove, Rickety, Pringle, Auburn and Swegle.

Thursday was mayors' day at the fair with 62 mayors attending as guests of the fair management. They were welcomed officially by Mayor Robert L. Elstrom, who is also president of the League of Oregon Cities. A special section in the grandstand was reserved for the afternoon races as well as for the state fair Showboat in the evening.

Appointed

Robert Ormond Case, Portland author, was named Thursday by Governor John Hall as state oil coordinator. He will assist in solving problems resulting from the strike of California refinery workers.

Robert O. Case Selected as Oil Coordinator

PORTLAND, Sept. 9-(AP)—Although the Pacific northwest still has about 25 days' oil supply, officials took steps today to ration oil and gasoline should it become necessary.

Gov. John H. Hall appointed Robert Ormond Case, Portland, state co-ordinator to work with representatives of other states in allocating stocks. He will meet with the others in Los Angeles some time next week.

Case, prominent Oregon author, has been employed by the legislative interim committee on highways and highway revenues, and prepared the committee's recent report.

Mayor Earl Riley said he would take the initiative on rationing in Portland, should it be needed, and asked the city attorney to study the legal aspects of the matter.

Eaton Alone at Liquor Board Meet

PORTLAND, Sept. 9-(AP)—A lone state liquor commissioner convened today for the regular commission meeting, and was unable to take any action.

Dr. Orval Eaton, Astoria, continued routine license hearings but could not act on anything until at least one other commissioner turns up.

Harry D. Boivin, Klamath Falls, was unable to get here for the meeting. Since Gov. John H. Hall discharged Joseph Freck, there is no other commissioner.

Embargo on Oil Exports Slated

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)—The government tonight announced that a temporary embargo on the export of gasoline, including aviation fuel, and other oils from west coast ports will go into effect September 11 at 12:01 a. m.

Department of commerce officials, in making the announcement, said the embargo will affect army and navy shipments only in so far as they use commercial vessels.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 9-(AP)—Representatives of the six major truck oil companies will meet tomorrow with California state conciliation service men in an effort to end the western states oil strike.

City Council to Meet in New Chambers Monday

Remodeling of Salem city hall is far enough along to open the new council chambers for a council meeting next Monday night, city engineering department officials predicted Thursday.

Improvements in the old building also will include an elevator which made its initial test run Thursday and soon will be in regular operation. The elevator was necessitated by the remodeling project which this summer has been adding offices and storage rooms in the hitherto little-used third and fourth floors.

The construction work has been under the general supervision of S.W. (Jack) Haines of the city engineer's office who estimates final cost of the remodeling will not exceed \$40,000, as against an architect's estimate last year of \$72,000.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

President Truman launched his reelection campaign in Detroit Monday (his acceptance address and his speeches on his western tour were curtain-raisers).

One trouble with modern political oratory is that it is apt to be synthetic. Presidents are busy people, and so are governors. The practice has grown up (probably it started a long time ago) to have some "writin' feller" prepare the speeches. That wasn't true of Woodrow Wilson, who had a fine sense of rhetoric. He wrote his own speeches and messages, hammering them out on his own typewriter, so it was reported. Franklin D. Roosevelt had a stable of writers: Robert Sherwood, Sam Rosenmann, to turn out his fireside chats. Harry Truman relies on others too, using Rosenmann part of the time.

It sort of takes the edge off a speech when you think it is ghost-written, that some catchy sentence has been hammered out by a backstairs wordsmith. Radio comedians buy gags like a magazine buys cartoons. So far the gag-writers haven't opened up the political market commercially, though it has possibilities.

Gen. De Gaulle Issues Call for New Elections

PARIS, Sept. 9-(AP)—An official for Gen. Charles De Gaulle called tonight for new national French elections.

This was the first time De Gaulle had intervened during a cabinet crisis.

Jacques Soustelle, secretary-general of De Gaulle's French People's rally (RPF), made a statement to the press at a moment when:

1. The veteran radical socialist Henri Queuille had accepted formally the nomination for premier of France.

2. Labor unrest flared throughout France and her colonies.

On the outskirts of Paris, workers of the Renault automobile factory quit their jobs and battled with police as they marched toward the center of the city.

Soustelle's statement said: "After last October's municipal elections (in which the De Gaulle forces won about 40 per cent of the votes) Gen. De Gaulle declared it necessary to give the nation its voice as soon as possible.

"Today it is even more necessary to harmonize national representation with the popular will."

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH "You'll ruin your eyes, George. Now, put out your light and go to sleep."

OUR SENATORS Lost 9-7