Fate of 15,000 Unknown; Poison Gas Drifts Over Volcanic Isle

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Baby Chicks Get Visitors

NINETY-EIGHTH YEAR



President Truman launched his reelection campaign in Detroit Monday (his acceptance address

and his speeches on his western tour were curtain-raisers). Harold Stassen gave a rejoinder on Tuesday. Governor Dewey is to open his campaign on September 20th. From here on out you'll have to stuff cotton in your ears if you want to avoid political

One trouble with modern political oratory is that it is apt Robert Ormond Case, Portland 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 Coordinator Rosenmann part of the time, Clark Clifford and others. So far one can't detect that Harry Vaughn has written any of his though the Pacific northwest still speeches, though he has Truman's has about 25 days' oil supply, ofpenchant for getting his foot in ficials took steps today to ration his mouth in speechmaking. Hen- oil and gasoline should it become ry Wallace relies on a pinko necessary.

by a backstairs wordsmith. Radio some time next week. 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.

What is the thoughtful citizen to do as he listens to stump speeches? He should discount the catch-phrases and slogans, try to get at the meat of the discourse, if it has any. If a speaker (Continued on editorial page)

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 turns up.

This was the first time De Gaulle had intervened during a cabinet Jacques Soustelle, secretary-gen-

eral of De Gaulle's French People's rally (RPF), made a statement to the press at a moment

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

2. Labor unrest flared throughout France and her colonies. On the outskirts of Paris, workers of the Renault automobile fac- the export of gasoline, including tory quit their jobs and battled aviation fuel, and other oils from with police as they marched toward the center of the city.

"After last October's municipal elections (in which the De Gaulof the votes) Gen. De Gaulle declared it neccessary to give the nation its voice as soon as possible. "Today it is even more necessary to harmonize national representation with the popular will."

Soustelle's statement said:

Weather Min. Precip.

Willamette river -3.1 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bupeau, McNary field, Salem): Continmed fair today and tonight. High today
shout 96. Low tonight near 53. Weather
excellent for all agricultural activties.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

(Sept. 1 to Sept. 10) Last Year

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



"You'll ruin your eyes, George. Now, put out your light and go



author, was named Thursday in solving problems resulting of the island. from the strike of California

PORTLAND, Sept. 9.-(AP)-A1-

lieutenant to work on his Gov. John H. Hall appointed Robert Ormond Case, Portland, It sort of takes the edge off a state co-ordinator to work with speech when you think it is representatives of other states in ghost-written, that some catchy allocating stocks. He will meet sentence has been hammered out with the others in Los Angeles

> 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.

mission meeting, and was unable to take any action. Dr. Orval Eaton, Astoria, con-

ducted routine license hearings, but could not act on anything until at least one other commissioner

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

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9 -(AP)-The government tonight announced that a temporary embargo on Salem, and grade schools at Libwest 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 aflist forces won about 40 per cent fect army and navy shipments only in so far as they use commercial vessels

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

GREEKS REPEL YUGOSLAVS

ATHENS, Sept. 9 -(AP)- War Minister George Stratos said tonight a group of Yugoslav troops had invaded Greece and had been thrown out. He appealed for in-

ternational help to prevent a gen-

Monsoon May Save **Populace**

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

The last message from the south Philippines island, where the volcano has been in eruption for 10 days, was an urgent appeal for all ships in the area to come to the

Alcaraz, Philippines government volcano expert. Nothing has been heard from him since.

He said acidic ash, probably one by Governor John Hall as state of the deadly chlorines, was falloil coordinator. He will assist ing. He ordered a mass evacuation

> 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 popu-

> 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.

Addressed "To all ships at sea," "Acute emergency at Camiguin island. All available boats needed for mass evacuation. Guinsiliban and Binone designated embarka-

tion points. Tinone top priority to "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 outburst by the long-dormant mountain, about 36,000 persons had been removed from the island. (Picture on page 13)

Eaton Alone at Liquor Board Meet Designated at PORTLAND, Sept. 9-(P)-A lone state liquor commissioner con-

New pupils for Salem district public schools which open 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

must be 6 years old by November attendance over 1947. 15 this year.

The Salem school district inschools. These are the elementary after 6 p. m. and junior high school in West erty, Middle Grove, Rickey, Pringle, Auburn and Swegle.

Unionmen 'Forced To Back Wallace,' Committee Told

WASHINGTON, Sept .9-(AP)-Henry A. Wallace's presidential in the Blue Mountain region.

campaign. The witnesses told a house laion members are also under pressure to support communist news-

papers. "The workers live only in fear," said Morris Goldner, president of year's state fair in the 4-H comthe Independent Fur Manufac-

City Council to Meet in **New Chambers Monday**

council chambers for a council meeting next Monday night, city

Improvements in the old buildproject which this summer has been adding offices and storage

under the general supervision of circular continuous desk arrange-S.W. (Jack) Haines of the city ment on a raised platform.

for \$3,300. Low bid price for a new Salem warrants.

Remodeling of Salem city hall is elevator and installation last year far enough along to open the new was \$17,000. Instead the city decided to use the old but undamengineering department officials aged Guardian building elevator ties relaxed and enjoyed the hosand do the work itself.

ing also will include an elevator ing much of the lumber for the istration building. which made its initial test run remodeling. Haines said lumber Averill Hansen, 19, Junction Monday Suggested Thursday and soon will be in regfrom only 3½ of the old barracks City, was named champion of the first annual 4-H sheep shearlarge the first annual 4-H sheep shearnecessitated by the remodeling vided the equivalent of \$6,000 ing contest judged by O. N. Nel-

lic and will seat the councilmen The construction work has been and city officials around a semi-

Principal savings have been in all on the third floor. Storage with the FFA 42. purchase for \$500 of the elevator space will occupy most of the



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 Patsy Ann Gorman, all of Salem, gaga-eyed over the display in the cage. (Farm Photo for Statesman).

Style Revue Tops Events At Heat-Dominated Fair

By Lillie L. Madsen Farm Editor, The Statesman

Helen Wrolstad, 17, Hubbard, route 1, will go to Chicago as a result of winning the annual 4-H style revue of the 83rd Oregon state stations went on as scheduled White House visitor quoted him as saying "We will not be pushed fair, to compete in the national contest of the 4-H congress. The revue through rerouted lines via Klam- out."

was held Thursday. Miss Wrolstad, 1947 Clackamas county fair queen, wore a pink chambray evening dress to win the award. (Details on page 5.)

The fair swung into its fourth an area served by a different record day attendance Thursday school than they attended last with 30,721 to maintain its 5 per cent lead over the 1946 record Children eligible for first grade week total, and 15 per cent paid

For the second day the unusually warm weather (98) kept the cludes, besides eight grade schools, growd somewhat smaller during two junior highs and the senior the afternoon with the cooler high school, several suburban evening breeze bringing in 8,000

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. Elfstrom, 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.

One Woman Mayor The only woman mayor, and Two congressional witnesses tes- among the first to register, was tified today that union "fear" tac- Mrs. Alcy J. Madden, Lonerock, tics are forcing New York fur the smallest incorporated city in workers to contribute money to Oregon and situated near Condon

Winner of the National Garden Institution special was Mrs. bor subcommittee, headed by Rep. W. H. Criteser of Garibaldi who exhibited the best 12 jars of assorted canned vegetables.

First and only grand champion repeat thus far from last petition is Jerry Wipper, 14, of Turner, who succeeded in twotiming the top award in the market fat lamb class.

The police report "an unusually quiet fair" from their standpoint. session of the legislature seemed A tossing game was prohibited assured to inaugurate him early from being set up Thursday, E. in November. W. "Hap" Hewitt, chief of fairgrounds police, said.

For an hour Thursday night the press and radio covering activipitality of the fair management

so-called Dollar Dinner contest tomorrow.

South of City Cuts Phones

area and 25 men of the Turner

Blaze Destroys Meat Packing Plant

plant at 25th and Mission streets was destroyed by a \$60,000 blaze early today. Salem firemen were still battling the blaze at 3:15

the smoking rooms of the packing plant, A series of explosion spread the flames over the entire building. A new section of the structure was also enguited. Fireoffices, from which the recorus and equipment had been removed, and the stock yards. A large quantity of meat was destroyed in the fire, but no animals wer endangered. Owner - Manager Ernest Crys-

tal estimated the loss at \$60,000 and said no plans had been formulated as yet for reconstruction.

before bringing it under control. Telephone wires leading south along the old Pacific highway bedestroyed five poles. Fifty-eight wires leading south from Salem to Albany and the sale into the British sector and diers persuaded the country to Albany and the sale into the British sector and the sale into the British sector and fired tommyguns into the air until British-controlled police and solutions are saled to the sale into the British sector and the sale into the sale into the British sector and the sale into the sale into the British sector and the sale into th to Albany and Eugene were cut by the blaze, interrupting long distance and radio broadcast operations.

ath Falls and The Dalles. Four 11 p.m. to lay temporary lines Russia along the ground. The blaze At started about 4 p.m. and the first circuit was back in operation at 8:45 p.m. Thursday.

Stubble Field Burns

eral acres of stubble field just south of the Salem city limits Thursday afternoon before it was brought under control by the The fire started from a trash fire Contribute 4 Men between Baxter and Fabry roads just off highway 99E.

Keep Oregon Green association headquarters in Salem issued an on the alert for forest fires.

Fair Showboat. Horse show, of the fire danger. pavilion. Little Relief in Sight 10 p. m .- State fair dances.

Talmadge returned to power in

Georgia today on a "white supreresentment against the federal civil rights program.

yesterday's democratic primary started spouting. The youths were parent plastic, two Yale univerwas overwhelming and a special

since the hectic days of the "dual ceded defeat.

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

100-Acre Fire

The Oregon Statesman

The Oregon Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Friday, September 10, 1948

Mercury Pushes to 98 in Salem

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

volunteer fire department battled of the war.

Thee blaze, which started short-

a 100-acre blaze south of Salem

Radio programs at the Salem

Another blaze burned over sev-

The humidity at Salem Thursday was 20, well below the crit- ember for the first peacetime draft. ical mark. Logging operations in The state selective service diwestern Oregon have been rector said each board will furnish brought to a standstill because at least one inductee, with Mutl-

While the weatherman offered Marion and Lane county boards little relief from the heat for four men each. today he reported that Saturday may see the start of cooler weather in the Willamette valley. Thursday's 98 degrees - hot- in order of age-oldest first. test day since July 20, 1946's 105

aid men treated the pair overcome by heat and exhaustion. Two Redmond high school boys LIGHT "IRON LUNGS" macy" platform and a wave of got a surprise cool-off from the NEW MAVEN, Sept. 9 -(P)day's heat. They were lolling on Cheap, featherweight "iron lungs" the state library lawn when the for polio victims can be made automatic sprinkling system from rubberized cloth or trans-

tonished senators dug up these as-

sorted facts today about this gov-

ernment's export license program:

- badly needed to build homes

-- were exported last year as

issued permits to export more than

2,000,000 pounds of lard during a

period when the quota was 199,-

3. A man under suspicion in con-

"shoe tacks."

000 pounds.

cooler, but very, very wet.

Russ Flex Muscles In European Zone, Fire on Berliners

BERLIN, Sept. 9 - (AP) - Soviet planes prowled the skies of The skyrocketing temperature Northern Europe today and Soviet ships cruised in the Baltic off increased the fire danger in the Denmark in the greatest show of Russian strength since the end

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

The moves also were apparently designed to take some of the edge off the Anglo-American airlift to Berlin and the impressive joint The Salem Meat Co. packing British-American air maneuvers over Britain in the last week.

Coupled with Anglo-American Army maneuvers at Grafenwohl, the picture reminded many of the Europe armed camp of 1938 and 1939. At Grafenwohl in the American zone of Germany, a defensive force is practicing warding off a superior "aggressor" force attacking from the East

The usual Soviet practice is to cloak their armed forces with the ly after midnight, broke out in greatest secrecy. Today however high-flying Soviet fighters crisscrossed over Berlin leaving vapor trails in the sky.

Giant Anti-Red Rally Scene of Shooting BERLIN, Sept. 9-(A)-Street fighting in which shots were fired men were fighting to save the 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.

Part of the home-going throng stoned three Russian soldiers in

jeep. They tossed rocks at the massive memorial the Red army erected to the conquest of Berlin. One demonstrator climbed atop the memorial and tore down a Russian flag. Soviet troops that rushed to the scene fired their tommyguns. Russian-controlled German police fired pistols on demonstrators on the Soviet side of the historic granite gate which is the dividing line between the Russian and British sectors of Berlin. Russian mili-

Truman Determined to Hold Berlin

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)-President Truman today underscored American determination to stay in Soviet-blockaded Berlin and

As the crisis over the German capital tightened, Mr. Truman construction crews with about 50 told a news conference: The United States is standing up for its men worked from 5 p.m. until rights in Berlin, but we are still seeking a peaceful settlement with About an hour later Mr. Truman received David Dubinsky, AFL

union leader at the White House and discussed the Berlin situation with him. Dubinsky told newsmen he asked the president for "the fullest protection" for trade unionists in Germany against communist

reprisal "in the event we are pushed out of Berlin." He said Mr. Truman replied: "We will not be pushed out of Ber-

To First Draft Call

PORTLAND, Sept. 9 -(AP)- Maj. urgent appeal to all citizens to be Gen. Thomas E. Rilea said today that Oregon's 30 selective service boards will call up 78 men in Novnomah county's five boards prob-

ably supplying five men each, and The inductees will be taken from the 25-year old group. There will be no lottery; men will be chosen

Rilea said examinations will be

conducted in October to de cide at the state fairgrounds. First which men are qualified.

sity scientists said today. and several platform talks along **Snafu-Seekers Find Fertile**

Field in Export License Bureau WASHINGTON, Sept. 9-(AP)-As- | ged licenses. They explained they

al machine. 5. A New York City exporter told about paying \$9,400 for two 1. Nails 21/2 and 3 inches long permits to ship flour to Brazil. He day. said the money went to another exporter who previously testified to paying more than \$29,000 for 2. A woman government clerk 15 export permits that senate in-

lacked \$750 to change the origin-

vestigators say were forged. Chairman Ferguson (R-Mich) of the senate investigating subcommittee finally observed that "It is impossible to tell what went out of this country under the ex-

But Wallace S. Thomas, director of international trade, assured

Truman to **Head West in** Fall Campaign

By The Associated Press President Truman plans to head west for an intensive two-

weeks stumping campaign. His itinerary, announced yesterday is similar to one to be followed by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, the republican nominee.

west coast. Major addresses will be made in at least four western states, the opening speech being scheduled at Dexter, Iowa, Sept. 18 at a farm rally. Following the Dexter kick-off address, Mr. Truman is scheduled to make major addresses at Den-

Mr. Truman's western swing

will carry him all the way to the

ver September 20. Salt Lake September 21, San Francisco September 22 and Los Angeles September 23. He make make talks in Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Glenwood Springs while in Colorado,

the route, the White House said. Nicholas Granet, chairman of the Multnomah county Democratic Central committee, said otday that President Truman would stop in Oregon in mid-October.

Midwest Temperature Sinks Below Freezing

CHICAGO, Sept. 9 - (AP) - The midwest got a foretaste of fall to-

of the season dropped the mercury to 30 degrees in Williston, N.D., and an overnight frost was forecast for the lowlands of Minnesota and Wisconsin.



eral war in the Balkans.

third and fourth floors.

The army barracks are provid- at a buffet supper at the admin-

worth of lumber at current prices. son, Oregon State college and The council chamber will have Bruce Arnold, Portland, Pacific rooms in the hitherto little-used 108 theatre-type seats for the pub- Wool Growers.

sale at 10 a.m., with 162 animals Italy's war-lost colonies, and sugconsigned, including 17 beef ani- gested Monday instead. engineer's office who estimates final cost of the remodeling will plete quarters for the engineering not exceed \$40,000, as against an department, a municipal courtarchitect's estimate last year of room, city attorney's office, city at this sale are two pens of poul-

State Fair Today Friday, Sept. 10

4-H and FFA Day 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

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

12 -. m.-Gates close. Talmadge in -was too much for two women

His nomination for governor in

Gov. M. E. Thompson, his rival government" 20 months ago, con-

WASHINGTON, Sept. 9 -(AP) The United States told Russia to-Friday's big event is the 4-H day that tomorrow is too soon and Future Farmers fat stock to reopen talks on the fate of

conference room and rest rooms, try. The 4-H is selling 120 head, in a memo to the soviet embassy, to export a million dollars worth of export operations for the office said the U.S. was "wholly agree- of rice. Major awards not yet decided able" to the Paris meeting. But 4. Government officials here senators that a new check-up had from the burned-out Guardian fourth floor which has been fixed include the 4-H healthiest boy he said the American delegation continued to use a perforating ma- been installed at the start of this building and acquisition of 25 sur- in such a way that city offices can and girl to be named at 10 a.m. could not be briefed and dis- chine to validate licenses for five month. He said it should eliminate plus army barracks at the airport later be put in when growth of Friday, and the winner of the patched in time to get to Paris months after they learned a sim- most irregularities including the ilar machine was turning out for- forged permits.

Marion County to