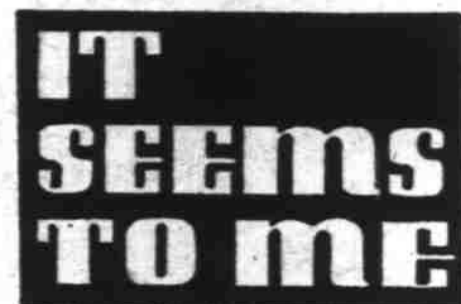


Longshoremen Sign Contract to Work for Army

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18—(AP)—The army, bypassing the struck waterfront employers' association, today completed contracts for handling essential army cargo from West Coast ports with CIO longshoremen. The office of Assistant Secretary of the Army Gordon Gray said a contract let to the Mutual Stevedoring company of San Francisco would cover the ports of San Francisco, Stockton and the Los Angeles area.



By Charles F. Sprague

While for the past few weeks public attention on the Hall-Freck controversy, other events have been transpiring which bode no good. There is the serious prospect that the lobby will succeed for the first time in many years in controlling the organization of the state senate. Its choice for senate president is Rex Ellis, veteran senator from Umatilla, Morrow and Union counties. Ellis claims he is "in" though he hasn't unfolded his sheaf of pledges for public gaze. Certain upsets in the November election may change the situation. Meantime, the controlled senate organization at least since the 1931 session is milling around, unable to settle on a likely candidate.

Ellis, who was first elected to the senate in 1936, has been a hardy perennial as candidate for senate president. It was assumed this year that he was running "to place" rather than to win, but a combination of circumstances have projected him into a present lead. Sen. Douglas McKay, who shares with Dean Walker of Independence the record of longest membership in the senate (since 1935), was counted the certain selection when the 1947 legislative session closed. The death of Governor Snell opened the way for McKay to run for governor and he yielded his ambition to be senate president, though he has not resigned as a member.

Other events have made inroads on the composition of the senate. Death came to Lee Patterson, (Continued on editorial page)

India Names Governor for Hyderabad

NEW DELHI, Sept. 18—(AP)—India cracked down today on Hyderabad by appointing a military governor for the conquered princely state.

This step was taken by the Dominion of India as Hyderabad state troops surrendered unconditionally to a triumphant Indian armored column marching into Secunderabad, military garrison for the capital of Hyderabad.

A 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. curfew was clamped on Hyderabad city, the capital.

Orders were issued for the arrest of Qazi Razvi, the fiery Moslem leader who had vowed holy war if India dared put foot on the "holy Islamic soil of Hyderabad."

Reliable sources said India would order dissolution of the rakazars, the private army of Razvi. Whereabouts of Razvi was not known.

895 Flights Reach Berlin During Day

BERLIN, Sept. 18—(AP)—American and British air forces sent 895 cargo flights into Soviet-blockaded Berlin today in awesome demonstration of peacetime air power.

Meanwhile, the western press said a wave of terror against non-communists had started in the Soviet occupation zone.

The American-licensed Neue Zeitung said police in the Soviet zone were being built into a "half-militarist organization" armed with machine guns and machine pistols instead of the customary carbines.

Animal Crackers



"I understand he's got a sizeable commission from the state."

SEEMS TO ME

A similar contract covering Seattle was announced yesterday. The statement said the army "stopped recruiting civil service longshoremen and associated dock workers" when the contract was signed, but "the release of those employed already is not contemplated."

The signing is expected to free all strike-bound military cargoes from the effects of the 17-day Pacific Coast maritime strike, but had no effect on civilian cargoes. Military shipping accounts for 30 per cent of the Pacific Coast's normal cargoes.

The CIO international longshoremen's and warehousemen's union also announced it had reached an agreement with the Mutual company to handle army cargo in the California ports. It said, however, the agreement is subject to ratification by other maritime unions on strike.

The army's contract is based on "wages and working conditions in effect in the industry prior to June 15, 1948."

West Envoys, Molotov Hold New Meeting

MOSCOW, Sept. 18—(AP)—The western envoys met today with Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov possibly to receive final Russian word on proposals for settling the Berlin crisis.

The usual secrecy surrounded the session, the 11th in the Kremlin on East-West differences in the past 51 days and the second this week.

U. S. Ambassador Walter Bedell Smith told newsmen after today's talks:

"The three western envoys had a lengthy 2-hour and 30-minute talk with Mr. Molotov. I have no comment."

Smith said he stayed behind at the Kremlin for a five-minute talk with Molotov. He said it was on a "purely Soviet-American matter" but would not divulge its nature.

He would not say whether the meetings were at an end or would be continued.

B-36 Crosses Local Area--at 14,000 Feet

Salem's air-minded citizens needed telescopes Saturday afternoon to get a look at the publicized flight of the giant B-36 bomber.

The world's largest bomber, flying over Oregon as an air force dress rehearsal, was nearly 30 minutes ahead of the 3:09 p.m. schedule and 14,000 feet up.

But McNary field visitors Saturday won some consolation with four other army planes open for inspection on the air force's first birthday.

The first plane, an A-26, arrived in Salem Thursday night from March field, Calif. The second, also an A-26 from March field, landed early Friday night. Crew members are Capt. L. G. Towle, Lt. John Reinheimer, Lt. R. S. Scott and Sgt. R. M. Kostraba.

Lis Friday night a B-25 arrived from Keeseville field, Miss., after a cross-country flight. Crew members are Lt. M. E. Sawcrew, Lt. L. C. Tolbert and Sgt. K. Lama.

An F-61, piloted by Capt. J. Toyne, landed Saturday morning after a flight from Hamilton field, Calif. Crew members are Captain Sowickian, and Sgt. Lovings Foss.

After the display of planes ended Saturday night Salem's air force reserve entertained crew members in a party at army reserve headquarters at 25th and Lee streets.

Simplot Says Expansion Slated at Fertilizer Plant

By Lester Cour Staff Writer, The Statesman

John R. (Jack) Simplot, colorful Idaho capitalist and a partner in the Columbia Metals company, was in Salem Saturday to announce expansion of the Salem fertilizer plant and addition of other plants in Klamath Falls and Eugene.

Simplot also said the Salem plant would go into full production Monday with about 80 employees on the payroll. Two carloads of essential ammonia arrived at the plant Friday night, and four more are expected Monday, he stated.

A lack of ammonia has shut down local plant operations for several months. When operations resume Monday, U. S. Sen. Wayne Morse, Eugene, will be on hand to witness unloading of the first ammonia.

It was Morse who secured release of the present shipment from the army, which now controls all production and distribution of the chemical. After all local effort failed to secure the shipments, Senator Morse tele-

Owens in Legion's Top Spot

ASTORIA, Sept. 18—(AP)—B. E. Owens, 51, Salem, a marine veteran of the first world war, was elected commander of the state department of the American Legion by unanimous vote today.

Owens, who has been vice-commander, will succeed Jack Maris, Canyonville. A predicted election contest blew up when Clyde Todd, Sheridan, withdrew his candidacy.

Sam Bowe, 39, Grants Pass, was unanimously elected vice-commander. Bowe was an enlisted man in the second world war.

Owens, who served overseas and was twice wounded in action, is a native Oregonian. He is in the automobile business in Salem.

The convention selected Salem as site for the 1949 convention. Delegates named the Rev. Frank Egan, Burns, as chaplain, and re-elected Tom Staughton, Portland, to the post of finance officer which he held for 23 years.

The delegates also asked that a state legislative interim committee be appointed to investigate "the infiltration of subversive individuals and agents into the state department of Oregon, particularly into the faculties of our state institutions of higher learning."

To Search Subversive Books

Asked its posts to inspect public and school libraries for subversive literature and to report their findings to the Legion subversive committee.

Urged Oregon congressmen to support the house un-American activities committee and "insist" upon passage of the Mundt-Nixon anti-communist bill.

B. E. (Kelly) Owens, who was elected state commander of the American Legion at Astoria Saturday, has been a partner in the Herral - Owens automotive company in Salem for several years.

A member of American Legion post in Salem, he has been long active in Legion and veteran affairs.

He would not say whether the meetings were at an end or would be continued.

Credit Controls Begin Monday

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18—(AP)—Credit controls, going into effect Monday, are likely to put the skids under premium prices for used cars, some automobile dealers said today.

Some said they already had lowered the amounts they've been paying for "new used" and late model used cars in anticipation that stiffer credit terms will make them harder to resell.

And some finance men expressed the belief that the controls, by forcing high monthly payments, will put late model used cars and the reach of many families with incomes up to \$4,000 or even more.

With half the nation's families having incomes under \$2,300, the number of squeezed out of the market could run to millions.

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	77	47	.00
Portland	77	47	.00
San Francisco	66	43	.00
Chicago	60	38	.01
New York	58	34	.00

PORCAST (from U. S. weather bureau, Portland, Ore.): Partly cloudy today and tomorrow with light rains expected late tonight or early tomorrow morning near 70.

Low tonight near 46. Weather condition in general will be favorable for farm activities.

SALEM PRECIPITATION		
(Sept. 1 to Sept. 19)		
This Year	Last Year	Average
1.18	1.01	.80

Board Okehs Start Of Student Union

CORVALLIS, Sept. 18—(AP)—The state board of higher education approved today a plan to start construction on the Erb memorial union building at the University of Oregon.

A \$1,371,793 bid by Ross B. Hammond company of Portland was approved for the memorial union building, which will be financed by student fees and gifts from friends of the university. Construction is expected to take 1 1/2 years.

Traction Company Employees Get Raise

PORTLAND, Sept. 18—(AP)—Approximately 1300 employees of the Portland Traction company won a 12-cent hourly wage increase today, retroactive to April 1.

The arbitration decision will give streetcar and bus operators \$1.52 hourly after a year's experience.

BARKLEY DUE IN SPOKANE

SPOKANE, Sept. 18—(AP)—Senator Alben Barkley (D-Ky), Democratic nominee for vice-president, is scheduled to arrive in Spokane October 8 on a tour of the northwestern states.

Commander



B. E. (Kelly) Owens, Salem automobile dealer, was elected commander of the American Legion Saturday at its annual convention in Astoria. (Story at left.)

2 Die in Plane Crash Near Sweet Home

SWEET HOME, Sept. 18—(Special)—Two men were killed Saturday afternoon when their cub plane crashed and burned in the mountainous area 20 miles east of here.

Dead were Fred Richard Redding, 27, Gettysburg, Pa., pilot of the craft, and Darius Coye Adair, 31, Sweet Home.

Art Matherly, foreman of a road construction crew working in the Canyon creek area, scene of the crash, said the plane apparently hit a downdraft and struck a tree. Workers who had seen the plane flying low were drawn to the scene by a forest fire started by the burning wreckage.

Matherly reported that the pair had quit their jobs with the construction crew Saturday morning saying that they were going to Alaska. Apparently they had rented the plane from the Sweet Home branch of the Valley Flying service to fly back over the area.

The craft took off from the Sweet Home airport shortly before 4 p.m. and crashed along the Canyon Creek road five miles from the Santiam highway.

Bodies of the two men were taken from the wreckage to the Hous-ton funeral home in Albany by James Fuiten, Linn county deputy coroner.

Adair is survived by his widow and two children. Relatives of Redding were believed to be residing in California.

CIO Politics Favor Demos

PORTLAND, Sept. 18—(AP)—The Oregon CIO Political Action committee today endorsed two democrats and a republican for state offices.

Lew Wallace, democratic candidate for governor, was called to the scene and a half hour of tugging, coaxing and lifting got the pony off the trestle with about 30 minutes to spare. Frightened Ralph, age about eight or nine, led the horse home.

Also endorsed were the Truman-Barkley presidential ticket, and these congressional candidates: Manley J. Wilson, democrat, for U. S. senator; Edward Gideon, democrat, for first district representative; C. J. Shorb, democrat, second district representative; Homer D. Angell, republican, third district representative. No recommendation was made for the fourth district.

Emil Ludwig, author, dies

ASCONA, Switzerland, Sept. 18—(AP)—Emil Ludwig, world renowned German biographer, whose books were burned by the Nazis, died in his sleep last night at 67.

A prolific writer, Ludwig penned plays, political essays, and such books as "The Nile," the story of Africa's historic river. But he was best known for his biographies. They included Jesus Christ, Abraham Lincoln, Kaiser Wilhelm II, Goethe, Bismarck, and Beethoven.

Cannery Executive Says Food Prices Past Peak

By Winston H. Taylor Staff Writer, The Statesman

Food prices "have passed the peak" and probably will be down next year in the opinion of A. W. Eames, sr., San Francisco, president of California Packing corporation. Eames was in Salem Saturday to inspect the local plant and to present pins recognizing long service by five employees.

Eames told The Statesman he based his prediction principally on this year's large grain crops and their influence on many products. But he said the weather would play a leading role in the final determination. The northwest's abnormal weather of this summer, he noted, had frequently hit the food industry.

This year's peak is the largest ever for Calpack, Eames asserted. No expansion is in the making, but future plans depend largely upon next year's market and farmers' plans. The executive added that his firm's labor relations have, on the whole, been highly satisfactory.

Some 300 employees here ceased their work on snap beans, prunes and other products at mid-afternoon Saturday to see their fellow workers receive the awards. Pins are awarded for each five years of service, with diamond settings beginning at 20 years. Eames himself makes the rounds of the 61 company plants to present the diamond pins.

The service pins were presented to William G. Fisher, green fruit buyer who has been with the firm for 25 years and has long been identified with food processing in the northwest; H. E. Hedine, maintenance foreman, 30 years; Mrs. Julia Judson, head forelady, 20 years; Mrs. Lillian Lloyd, assistant head forelady, 20 years, and Ellis L. Whitacre, assistant superintendent, 20 years.

Eames was accompanied here by his son, A. W. Eames, jr., northwest manager of the operating division; John Hilstrom, divisional superintendent, and Harold Vollmer, northwest manager for green fruit, all of Portland. His host here was Percy Blundell, plant superintendent.

Stern Gang Leaders Held

U.N. 'Horrified' Over Bernadotte Slaying

Lie Demands Protection for Peace-Makers

PARIS, Sept. 18—(AP)—Secretary-General Trygve Lie today demanded that the United Nations take stern measures to protect the lives of its peace-makers such as Count Folke Bernadotte.

Lie angrily told the security council that the assassination of attempted interference with the efforts of the U. N. to settle the Palestine question.

Members of the 11-nation council listened gravely as one delegate after another expressed horror and indignation over the slaying of Bernadotte and his aide, French Col. Andre Serot.

One delegate, Dr. Jose Arce of Argentina, openly accused the newly formed government of Israel of apparently failing to prevent the attack at a time when such an incident was likely to destroy the U. N.'s work for Palestine peace.

"How can the new nation of Israel be regarded as peace-loving when murders of this sort occur within its borders," Arce asked.

Off the floor of the council, Arce said the U. N. needs an army of 10,000 men to reestablish peace and keep order in the Holy land. He blamed the big powers for the current turmoil, declaring:

"This murder, done in the worst way, is in reality the fault of the big powers. Their inability to agree on creation of armed force has resulted in the tragic death of a peace-loving gentleman from a peace-loving country."

Police Free Horse from Train Trestle

All the horsemanship wasn't confined to the Periletton round-up Saturday with two Oregon state policemen and some helpful neighbors came to the rescue of a pony stuck on a Oregon Electric trestle north of Salem's city limits.

State policemen Floyd West and Carl McCormick were called to the scene and a half hour of tugging, coaxing and lifting got the pony off the trestle with about 30 minutes to spare. Frightened Ralph, age about eight or nine, led the horse home.

Most Salem stations Saturday closed between 4 and 6 p.m., with a few shutting down at noon when their pumps went dry.

Jet Sets New Speed Record

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18—(AP)—The air force wrote its own "Happy Birthday" across much of the world today and underscored it with a new speed record.

It was a big and costly birthday party that sent the United States air force into its second year as a co-equal department with the army and navy in the defense set-up.

Thousands of warplanes flew in dozens of localized shows tied together with a mighty crisscross of bomber tracks from eight major overseas bases to 25 cities at home.

In New York, General Hoyt S. Vandenberg announced a new world speed record of 67,981 miles an hour made with a fully armed jet fighter, the North American F-86, three days earlier.

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PORTLAND, Sept. 18—(AP)—Vanport, smashed by the Columbia river flood Memorial Day, was hit by fire today.

Flames of undetermined origin swept through nine shattered buildings as the one-time housing project city of 18,700 was being salvaged by a wrecking firm.

The wreckers said the fire, brought under control after two hours, destroyed \$15,000 worth of salvageable material.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 18—(AP)—Secretary of State Marshall will fly to Paris tomorrow for a United Nations assembly meeting.

Truman Terms GOP 'Threat to Farmers'

DEXTER, Ia., Sept. 18—(AP)—President Truman told a yelling corn belt crowd today the democrats are fighting "the farmers' battle against 'gluttons of privilege' threatening agriculture with 'another republican blight.'"

For their own "protection," Mr. Truman said in a major campaign speech, farmers ought to vote democratic this fall.

The president spoke from a bunting-draped stand in the middle of a trampled alfalfa field, at a national plowing match on a farm near Dexter, Iowa.

It was the first big speech on a 9,500 mile, 19-state political stump tour.

Mr. Truman looked out across acres of rich, rolling land where corn was ripening under a friendly autumn sun.

And he looked at some 80,000 men and women who make their living from the soil, people from many states.

"Our best protection," he told them, "is to elect a democratic congress and a president that will play fair with the farmer—an administration that will reinforce soil conservation, and help the farmer make enough on his crops to meet the cost of living, and have something left over."

He licked off what he said the democrats already have done for farmers—improved living standards, lowered interest, reduced debts.

Then he swung on the GOP. "This republican congress," he said "has already stuck a pitchfork in the farmer's back." Now he said, "the GOP is 'ready to let the bottom drop out of farm prices' and the farmer faces the danger of a 'man-made disaster bearing the republican trademark.'"

County's Draft Sign-Up 1,500 Under Estimate

A total of 5,533 men in Marion county registered for the draft during the regular sign-up period which ended Saturday night.

Mrs. Fern Beakey, draft board clerk, reported. Still uncounted were 18-year-olds in the Stayton area where the board ran out of cards before the three-week registration could be completed.

The expected late rush of men of eligible ages did not materialize at any of the selective service boards Saturday and Salem registered 189 on the closing day. Silverton signed up 29.

Gary Radke, 18, Salem route 2, was the last man to complete the sign-up at the Salem armory and close the staggered registration period.

The Marion county total was substantially below the 7,000 expected for the area. Dallas sign-up post for Polk county—closed with 1,204 and Albany lone box for Linn county—had a completed total of 4,554.

Gas Stations Closing Early In Salem Area

Salem's gasoline supply remained about unchanged Saturday, but some stations closed slightly earlier in the afternoon when their quots were sold.

Motorists filling up for weekend trips were blamed for the early closings, station operators said. A survey by The Statesman Saturday afternoon showed that only a few stations will remain open today. The operators said they had decided to close Sunday to conserve their dwindling supply.

One large oil distributor said quotas were bound to be cut by the end of the month should the oil workers' strike continue. He explained that this month's quota was based on 75 per cent of gallonage received during August. Next month's quota, he said, would be based on reduced September gallonage, with a resulting reduction to all stations.

About 90 veterans enrolled in the law school, formally enrolled at Willamette university Saturday. Harold B. Jory, registrar, does not expect to have complete registration figures until returning students and stragglers sign up next week.

Most returning students and transferees will register Monday and take physical examinations. 800 are expected to sign up which will push the enrollment to about 1,200. Classroom for all students begins Tuesday.

About 900 veterans enrolled including 22 with wives and families. This is nearly a 50 per cent drop from the previous two year's enrollment.

Oil Strike Talk Recess Called

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 18—(AP)—Negotiations in the California oil refinery strike were in a week end recess today.

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In contrast to the situation early in the strike, the industry says supply of gasoline had shown "remarkably improvement in the past few days."

PORTLAND TRAFFIC DEATH

PORTLAND, Sept. 18—(AP)—A motorcyclist skidded out of control today, fatally injuring the rider, Paul G. Gimarelli, 19. It was the 29th traffic fatality of the year in Portland.

200 Arrests Made; Threat Of War Grows

TEL AVIV, Israel, Sept. 18—(AP)—The Israeli government announced tonight that its intensive manhunt for the assassin of Count Folke Bernadotte has resulted in the arrest of "some of the supposed leaders of the Stern gang."

The government has charged the Sternists, a Jewish extremist group, with the slaying of the United Nations mediator and his French aide, Col. Andre Serot, in the Jewish part of Jerusalem yesterday.

Israeli authorities began moving Jewish troops into position in the fear that the shooting down of Bernadotte and Serot might be followed by a full scale war with the Arabs.

Under "House Arrest" Israeli authorities announced said more than 200 arrests have been made in the attempt to comb out the killers. Jerusalem's 90,000 Jewish residents have been placed under virtual house arrest by a curfew order.

House-to-house searches brought 150 arrests in Jerusalem and the seizure of a considerable quantity of arms, the announcement said. Fifty arrests were made in other portions of Israel, including 40 in the Tel Aviv area.

To View Suspects A spokesman said the Israeli army has invited members of the U. N. staff who witnessed the assassinations to view a parade of suspects which probably will be held tomorrow.

Jews were called upon to rise and track down the "traitors in our midst" in Jerusalem and the "criminal gang responsible" for the slayings. All roads into Jerusalem were closed. No departures were allowed from Israeli's airfields and harbors in order to prevent suspects from slipping out of the country.

Ask U.N. Army

Meanwhile, High United Nations officials in Haifa disclosed a recommendation may be sent to the security council in Paris calling for the creation of a 6,000-man international army.

Such a force, the informants said, is the minimum now believed to be required for the job of compelling Jews and Arabs to accept the authority of the U. N. over the Holy City.

Plane Crashes Kill 15 During Mock 'Battle of Britain'

MANSTON, Eng., Sept. 18—(AP)—Fifteen persons were killed today and 14 injured when four Royal Air Force planes crashed during "Battle of Britain" air shows.

The exhibitions commemorated the RAF's defensive stand against the German Luftwaffe during the blitz of 1940.

Ten of the victims died when a twin-motor Mosquito plane stunting over the Manston RAF base plunged from 800 feet, swept through a line of automobiles and exploded in view of 15,000 spectators.

In another accident, two airmen died when their Mosquito crashed while practicing for a show at Coningsby airfield in Lincolnshire.

Two flying officers were killed when a third Mosquito crashed and burned at the Lichfield RAF station.

A Spitfire pilot died when his plane blew up at the bottom of a dive in an air show at Leuchars, Fife.

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