

Chest Drive Passes Mid-Point in Salem

Salem community chest campaigners passed the halfway mark Friday when their latest reports brought the total amount raised so far to \$57,639, about 52 per cent of the \$110,000 chest goal.

Between their noontime report and their final checkup in the early evening, the campaign force of some 1,000 volunteer collectors had upped the day's collection by more than \$6,000.

The fund drive is to continue through next Friday.

In the local campaigning Friday, W. L. Phillips, jr. again headed the leading division, as automotive and transportation collections soared to \$7,785, more than three-fourths the \$10,250 quota.

Coming up fast were Kenneth Potts' general gifts division,

which brought in over \$2,000 Friday to make their \$8,789 total to date equal 67 per cent of the goal, and Carl Aschenbrenner's educational division which chalked up 61 per cent of goal by adding more than \$1,000 for a total-so-far of \$2,399.

Harold Robertson's industrial division was the first to pass a \$10,000 collection point. His \$10,405 Friday report represented 66 per cent of a \$13,750 goal.

Other reports at day's end: professional, \$6,977 or 58 per cent; mercantile, \$9,017 or 56 per cent; women's, \$5,284 or 43 per cent; contractors, \$4,106 or 41 per cent; governmental, \$3,278 or 33 per cent; utilities, \$3,000 or 30 per cent; West Salem, \$400 or 15 per cent; rural, \$295 or 7 per cent.

Argentine Asks Soviet For Berlin Compromise

By Francis W. Carpenter

PARIS, Oct. 8 (AP)—Argentine Foreign Minister Juan Bramuglia talked privately with Andrei Y. Vishinskiy today in a desperate bid for a face-saving compromise between east and west on Berlin. An Argentine source said "the negotiations are going along perfectly."

After his secret conversation with the Russian deputy foreign minister, Bramuglia scheduled a night meeting with another Soviet leader—Dimitri Z. Manuilsky, foreign minister of the Soviet Ukraine.

However, this meeting was postponed because of the illness of Manuilsky, Argentine sources said. They indicated it would be held later, possibly tomorrow.

Bramuglia pushed his peace efforts as Secretary of State George S. Marshall was quoted by the American embassy as saying "if there ever was, in time of peace, a threat to peace," it is the Berlin blockade.

The embassy said Marshall told a group of labor leaders of western Europe that there had been a long series of provocative acts since last March in Berlin and that "almost any one of these acts—30 years ago—could have been the basis for a serious breach."

Newsmen were not permitted at the meeting and the embassy later made available excerpts of the secretary's remarks.

There was no word on the scope of the talks undertaken by Bramuglia in his role as president of the United Nations security council. He started the talks on behalf of the six neutral members of the council—Argentina, Colombia, Belgium, Canada, China and Syria. He also has met with American, British and French delegates.

Argentine sources said he would report back to the neutrals at noon tomorrow.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Squire

Next week the federal reserve board will start hearings on its complaint against Transamerica corporation, the vast financial empire created under direction of A. P. Giannini of San Francisco. The complaint is that of a banking monopoly in violation of a section of the Clayton anti-trust act, and the case is the first one initiated by the board under this section. The case is of great national interest and of special interest to the west coast where Transamerica is a large investor in Bank of America, largest banking organization in the country, and controls the First National bank of Portland and numerous other banks in Oregon and Washington.

A few years ago Transamerica was under scrutiny by the SEC, but that case seems to have been disposed of without any penalty. The present proceeding is a formal one which will have to come to a definite conclusion. If the monopoly charge is not sustained by the board the corporation will be free to go on as it has. Probably then it would consolidate its separately owned banks like the First National bank of Cottage Grove and Coolidge & McClaine bank of Silverton into the First National of Portland. If the charge is upheld then the corporation may be forced to dispose of enough of its bank holdings to free it from the monopoly charge.

Giannini's meteoric career has been recounted many times. From very humble beginnings he developed his enterprises until

Pedestrian Hit In Hollywood

Ruth Earlywine, 1170 Spruce st., was in fair condition at Salem General hospital early today when she was taken after being struck by a car driven by William Darol Dotson, Salem route 7, in the 2200 block of Fairgrounds road Friday evening.

City police who investigated the accident said Dotson was traveling north on Fairgrounds road and did not see the woman until his car hit her. She was walking across the road at Donna avenue.

Mrs. Earlywine received a fracture of the left leg, cerebral concussion and multiple cuts and bruises when she was knocked to the pavement.

STORM WARNINGS ISSUED

SEATTLE, Oct. 8 (AP)—Southwest storm warnings were hoisted at 9 p.m. tonight from Tatum to Cape Blanco.

Animal Crackers



"What's the matter down there—cat got your tongue?"

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Dock Strike Showdown Set at Tacoma

2-0 Win Puts Cleveland in Series Lead

Candidate Bearden Scores Shutout

By Gayle Talbot

CLEVELAND, Oct. 8 (AP)—Cheered on by a tumultuous home town crowd packed into huge Municipal stadium, Southpaw Gene Bearden, Purple Heart naval hero, pitched a brilliant 2 to 0 victory over the Boston Braves today in the third game of the 1948 series.

In sending the American league champions out in front, two triumphs to one, in the big play-off, Bearden allowed only five hits scattered over as many innings and himself scored the deciding run of the game, allowing a long double to right field in the third inning.

The shut-out was the second pitched since the series opened two days ago in Boston. Johnny Sain stopped the Indians, 1 to 0, in the starter—the spectacular duel in which Bobby Feller lost a two-hitter.

Scoring Weak

Through today's tussle, the impotent Braves had scored exactly twice in three tries against Cleveland's great mound staff. When Bearden finished with Billy Southworth's boys today, they looked as though they might never score again.

Despite the exhortations of their delirious followers, the Indians themselves did little serious clubbing against the three Boston flingers they faced today. Their total hit output was only five, but they were fortunate in bunching four of them in their two scoring innings, the third and fourth.

Vern Bickford, rookie right-hander, gave up both Cleveland runs before he was derailed in favor of Bill Voiselle with the bases loaded in the fourth. Voiselle and Red Barrett, who hurled the final frames, allowed the Tribe only one hit the rest of the way, a harmless single by Larry Doby in the seventh.

3rd Game in Week

An amazing feature of Bearden's great performance was the fact he was pitching his third vital game in seven days. Only last Saturday the tall southpaw shut out Detroit here to keep the Indians in the torrid American league finish, and on Monday in Boston he beat the heart out of the Red Sox in a sudden-death play-off for the pennant.

His control was so superb today that he issued not a single walk. He struck out four, and toward the last the Braves were so desperate for any kind of a hit that they were bunting to lead off an inning. That worked no better than anything else.

Only 4 to Outfield

Bearden, who was wounded in the fighting in the Pacific and is a well patched-up athlete, permitted only four balls to be swatted to his outfielders. He handled six chances himself as the Boston batters topped his down-breaking curves into the turf.

Lack of control led to Bickford's downfall, just as it did to that of his teammate, Warren Spahn, in yesterday's game at Boston.

The rookie issue five passes while he was in there, and one of them led to Cleveland's second run in the fourth inning.

For two frames the Indians futilely swung at the youngster's slants, and it wasn't until Bearden rocketed one off the right field wall with one out in the third that the crowd had anything to cheer about. That set the Tribe's first score.

Bickford was replaced after the Indians' final tally in the fourth. (World series play-by-play on page 7.)

Hogg Reveals Candidacy for State Senate

Carl W. Hogg, long active in Salem business and civic affairs, will be a candidate for the state senate to succeed Sen. Douglas McKay in event McKay becomes governor of Oregon at the November 2 election, Hogg said Friday.

Reports that either Hogg or Mayor R. L. Elstrom would be candidates for the senate seat have been current for months.

Elstrom, who was elected to another term as mayor in the primaries, said Friday that "I want to do the best job possible in our city government and no one can do a good job if he's doing too many things. I am not a candidate for the senate."

McKay would resign his senate seat after his election. His replacement would be named by the Marion county court, which under customary procedure would appoint whoever was proposed by the Marion county republican central committee. Such an appointee would serve to the expiration of McKay's term in 1950.

Hogg said that whether or not he was the court's interim appointee he would be a candidate for the senate at the next election.

Hogg, in the home furnishing business in association with his brothers at Oregon City, has headed the Salem store bearing his name for many years. He served three terms as president of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, is president of highway 99 association, vice chairman of Salem long-range planning commission, on the board of the Willamette Basin commission and vice president of the Northwest Tourist association. He was a delegate to the republican national convention this year.

Truman, Marshall To Discuss Franco

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (AP)—President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall may review United States policy toward Franco Spain in their conference here tomorrow on the international situation.

While this country's relations with Russia seems certain to be the prime topic, diplomats generally agreed that Spain almost certainly would be discussed too.

Store Fire Latest in Series Of Lebanon Woman's Woes

LEBANON, Oct. 8 (Special)—With a succession of troubles already besetting Mrs. Ada Lowe and her husband, they were hit again Friday when an early morning fire damaged the rear of Matt's Trading post, 455 Main st.

This time authorities blamed a "firebug" and summoned the state police arson squad. Fire Chief Elmer Fitzgerald and Deputy State Fire Marshal Mervin Gilson of Salem said their preliminary investigation indicated the blaze was the work of an arsonist.

Mrs. Lowe, resident of 481 Main st., is owner of the "swap shop" building where only two weeks ago another fire of undetermined origin burned a utility room, garage and living quarters. Last summer an East Grant street house owned by Mrs. Lowe was destroyed by fire.

The home of Mattson, the trading post proprietor, on the edge of Lebanon, burned a month ago. It was Mrs. Lowe's automobile, stolen last May 29, which was found last week end near Blachley, with the inside damaged and with a bullet hole in one window and considerable bloodstain on the seat. (Photo on page 2).

Vinson Moscow Mission Talk 'Planned--Cancelled'

Radio Network Says Truman Aide Scheduled Broadcast

By John M. Hightower

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (AP)—President Truman was reported tonight to have planned—and then cancelled—a sensational radio announcement that he was sending Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson to talk with Premier Stalin in an effort to end the Berlin deadlock.

Columbia Broadcasting system confirmed that the White House asked for free time to make such an announcement and then, after CBS granted the time for last Tuesday night, withdrew the request.

At Buffalo, N. Y., where he was making a campaign speech, President Truman had no comment on this. His press secretary, Charles G. Ross, was asked about a further report that the state department had balked at the Truman plan, and that Secretary of State Marshall was hurrying home from Paris to register his objections in person.

Ross said that Marshall was returning for "the sole purpose of reporting orally" to Mr. Truman on developments abroad.

Marshall is due here tomorrow, and so is the president.

What could be established as fact here tonight in spite of White House and state department silence was this:

About mid-morning last Tuesday, White House Press Secretary Charles G. Ross contacted major radio networks and asked for free time for the president, now deeply involved in his campaign for re-election, to make a "non-political" radio speech.

Network officials, concerned over the possible political repercussions of Mr. Truman's appearance on the air in free time, asked Ross for an explanation of the nature of the president's statement.

Eventually they were informed, according to highly authoritative sources, that the president planned to announce that he is sending Chief Justice Vinson to Moscow.

Several hours later, and before all the networks had finally worked out arrangements for the proposed broadcast, Ross called them back and said that the project was off, and advised them to forget the whole affair.

SHANNON, Ire, Oct. 8 (AP)—U. S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall left Shannon airport for Washington at midnight (GMT) (7 p.m. EST).

AFL 'To Defy CIO Pickets'

SEATTLE, Oct. 8 (AP)—Ed M. Weston of the Washington State Federation of Labor, signaled a showdown today in the state with striking CIO maritime unions.

He announced that AFL longshoremen will work cargo in Tacoma Monday morning despite CIO picket lines.

He said such action was approved by representatives of 300,000 AFL members in the state at a meeting today. The group, he said, included AFL maritime unions.

"To Prevent Bridges"

At the same time, he said, the meeting expressed a determination to "prevent Bridges and the CIO from forcing their desire for a six-month strike on the Puget Sound area and the state of Washington."

"The meeting," he said, "discussed thoroughly the need for rescuing the rank and file members of the CIO unions from a leadership working day and night to mislead and to force a condition of chaos and confusion upon the maritime industry in the state of Washington as a final step to Harry Bridges and company's Pacific coast control."

Resolution Unanimous

Weston said the group unanimously adopted a resolution to the effect that:

"We do not recognize any cargo in any ship coming into any AFL port as diverted cargo."

CIO unions have been picketing several ships in the port of Tacoma, where AFL longshoremen have contracts. They contended the ships were diverted from ports in California struckbound by CIO maritime unions.

AFL longshoremen also have jurisdiction in two other Washington ports—Anacortes and Port Angeles.

Pork Prices 'On Skids' in Salem Markets

Pork was selling cheaper in Salem Friday as prices continued to drop on the Portland livestock market, but butchers reported customers were buying more beef which has also been reduced 20 per cent in some instances.

A drop in the price of live hogs, and a general feeling that pork prices were on the downgrade caused pork prices to sell from 10 to 20 cents per pound less. Typical reductions were shoulder steaks at 58 cents a pound and loin steaks at 59 cents.

Several Salem butchers agreed that the lower pork prices have stimulated sales, but said customers still prefer beef which sells at prices below most pork items. One local butcher said he believes pork will drop even lower.

National agricultural sources have predicted an eventual fall in pork prices as the result of cheaper feed. The 1948 corn crop has set a record.

Heise to Oppose Mayor Musgrave In West Salem Vote

WEST SALEM, Oct. 8—Councilman W. C. Heise announced today he would run against Mayor Walter Musgrave in November's city election.

Petitions to place Heise's name on the ballot were being circulated Friday and are expected to be filed today with the city recorder. Only signatures of 15 registered voters are necessary to make Heise a candidate.

Heise, a veteran council member, has two years to serve before expiration of his present council term.

'Plane Crash' Unverified in South Oregon

PROSPECT, Ore., Oct. 8 (AP)—A four-engine plane was reported by two hunters to have crashed near here today, but M. L. Tedrow of the forest service said the report lacked verification.

Tedrow, assistant fire supervisor of the Rogue River national forest, said the hunters said they saw a four-engine plane—at a distance—circle and then dive. They neither saw nor heard a crash and Tedrow said the plane could have merely gone behind a hill in this mountainous timbered southern Oregon country.

A Mr. Eperston, truck driver for the California-Oregon Power company, said he saw a four-engine plane overhead with flames shooting back from the inboard port engine. Tedrow said it was possible yellow markings on the rescue plane reflected sunlight and looked like flames.

However, he said he was certain the engine was afire, but he did not see the plane go down. He did not see yellow markings. (McChord field at Tacoma, Wash., reported that a B-29 with an engine afire landed safely at Spokane. It said all multi-engine planes in the southern Oregon area are accounted for.)

Hall Assures Morris Dunne Reappointment

Reappointment of state officials whose terms expire prior to January 10 is planned, providing they have "done a good job," Gov. John H. Hall announced Friday.

Hall spoke particularly of T. Morris Dunne, member of the state industrial accident commission, whose term runs out January 3, a week before Hall leaves office.

"Dunne apparently has done a good job and I can see no reason why he should not be retained," the governor said.

Among other appointive officials whose terms expire while Hall is in office are Gerald Mason, Portland, state parole board; Irving T. Rau, St. Helens, state board of education, and five members of the port of Portland commission.

Hall gave no hint of whether he would seek any public office after his term concludes but said he expected to continue active in public affairs. He plans a vacation jaunt to Honolulu next January.

Clerk Foils Check Artist

A doubting clerk saved the Town and Country store, 293 N. Commercial st., \$94.60 Friday when he thought an offered check might be a forgery.

City police were called to the store after a man described as about 50, tall and slender had attempted to pass the check drawn on the Ladd and Bush bank.

Police were told the man selected about \$40 in goods and offered the check in payment. The clerk said he wanted to check it and the man said okay, I'll be right back. He never returned.

The check was made payable to Lewis W. Howard, but the signature was illegible.

Newby Speaks at GOP Convention

PORTLAND, Oct. 8 (AP)—The Oregon republican clubs opened their 15th annual convention here tonight with Secretary of State Earl T. Newby the lone major candidate to appear.

Newby told the brief night session that his record during 10 months in office is "an open book."

The major meetings start tomorrow, when Rep. Charles A. Halleck (R-Ind.), house majority leader, addresses the group.

GOP Politico in Chicago Victim Of Assassin

CHICAGO, Oct. 8 (AP)—A phantom killer who struck swiftly and apparently unseen hacked a republican state politician to death early today on busy Randolph street.

The victim was William John Granata, 42, who was found in a splash of blood at the entrance of his skyscraper apartment building at 188 W. Randolph st.

Granata was a member of the Illinois industrial commission and a candidate for circuit court clerk. His brother, Peter C. Granata, is a state representative.

The attack, to which police have a found no witnesses, was made a few doors from the State of Illinois Chicago office building and less than a block from the combined city hall and county building. Chicago's main theater district is two block east of Granata's apartment.

Dr. Jerry Kearns, coroner's physician, said the assault apparently was made with a heavy weapon of the bayonet type. Two deep slashes, apparently inflicted from behind, split his skull.

Winds Lash Milwaukee Shoreline



MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 8—Waves and spray pound over breakwater in downtown Milwaukee in the west shore of Lake Michigan, battering a small sailboat (lower right) against the concrete pier. Considerable damage was reported to small craft at various Wisconsin ports and navigation was slowed to a virtual standstill as the wind hit 50 miles per hour in gusts. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	71	45	.00
Portland	71	45	.00
San Francisco	71	53	.00
Chicago	53	43	.07
New York	69	56	.72

Willamette river 1.6 feet.

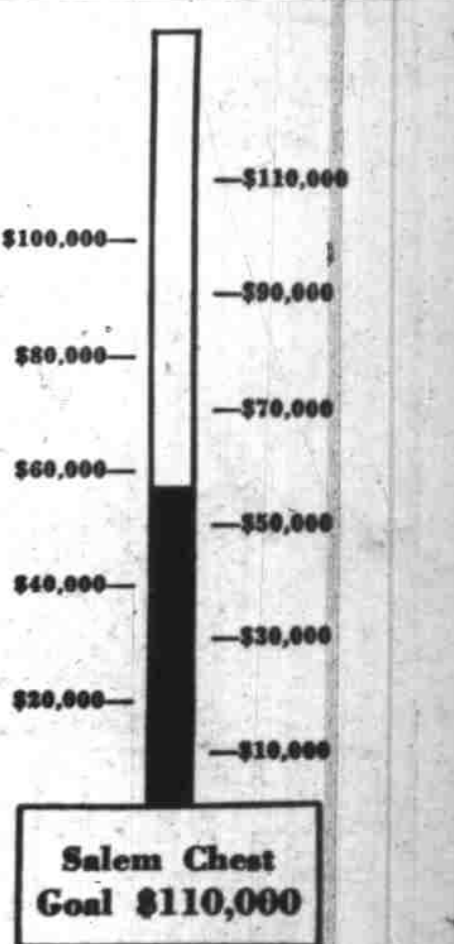
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Increasing clouds with occasional light rains tonight. Occasional showers Sunday. High today near 70. Low tonight near 45. Weather mostly favorable for all farm activities.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Sept. 1 to Oct. 9)

This Year	Last Year	Average
3.23	1.80	2.34

BERMUDA LASHED BY GALE

HAMILTON, Bermuda, Oct. 8 (AP)—Extensive damage, estimated at more than \$1,000,000, was caused by the hurricane which struck this British colony last night. Winds reached more than 100 miles an hour but no casualties were reported.



Salem Chest Goal \$110,000