

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

Some months ago a group composed principally of young matrons of Salem formed a Salem branch of the League of Women Voters. Tonight they are having an affair at Mayflower hall, a United Nations night, with a program both entertaining and instructive, with the public invited to attend.

What is this League of Women Voters? It is a non-partisan organization of women who are interested in political affairs, who want to inform themselves as to issues and to work for such legislation and administration as they feel will serve the best interest of the people.

One of its projects is to promote voter registration and voting at elections. The league also sponsors classes to study questions of current interest. The league often takes a position on these issues and works in support of its decision.

The league is free of "isms." It has no political entanglements. It numbers in its membership persons of different partisan affiliation. It has attracted women of character and intelligence who feel that women should take an active part in politics.

From a practical standpoint the league is too highbrow, appealing to the "intelligent voter." It doesn't give enough allowance for the fact that emotions and personal interest are prime factors in how people vote.

There's a place for the league. People should get acquainted with it, recognize it as a worthy vehicle and respect its pronouncements as the result of honest and intelligent study of questions of the day.

Professional Confectioner to Teach Classes

By Maxine Buren
Woman's Editor, The Statesman
A professional candymaker can tell women quite a lot about cooking, providing it's on the special subject of confections. E. Remington Davenport, for many years superintendent of a large candy factory in Portland, will appear at the Portland Gas and Coke company Monday and Tuesday in a course of four free candymaking shows sponsored by the Oregon Statesman. The demonstrations are set for 1:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Davenport promises to give information on many of the things home candymakers have been wondering about. He'll explain the control of grain, basis of all candymaking, and discuss causes of failure.

Monday's two meetings, open to men and women alike, will include the making of fondant, creamed fudge and peanut brittle. Tuesday's shows will include English toffy and after dinner mints.

The shows are free. Those who wish, may purchase a book of fifty master recipes, or a smaller pamphlet covering a portion of the information contained in the book.

Arms Seized in New York

NEW YORK, Nov. 25 (AP)—Police today seized a truckload of arms and ammunition in a Manhattan garage and arrested five men at the scene.

The five were charged with violation of the weapons law. Police said they denied knowing their crates contained rifles, machineguns, ammunition and other weapons.

The group told police they were hired to haul the crates to New Brunswick, N.J., by a man whose name they did not know.

A large quantity of arms reportedly destined for Jewish forces in Israel was seized here several months ago. However, authorities made no immediate comparison in the two cases.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

"I've got sad news, children—your father has gone fishing."

CIO Leaders Given Power to Deal with Communist Faction

PORTLAND, Nov. 25 (AP)—The CIO today gave its leadership almost unlimited powers to deal with communists who have moved into small CIO unions.

The convention delegates transformed into concrete action the jolting anti-communist speeches that have made this convention one that will be long remembered in labor history.

By a standing vote roughly estimating a 100-0 ratio, the convention adopted a resolution which gives the CIO executive board power to take such action "as may be appropriate and necessary" to bring about effective organization of workers in industries where CIO unions have "failed."

Later, James Durkin, president of the Office and Professional Workers, issued a statement to the press, defying the CIO action.

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Service Calls for 'Thanks'

By Lester F. Cour
Staff Writer, The Statesman
"America — the most blessed land in the world — tends to take those blessings as a matter of fact, forgetting, at times, they are works of God."

This was one of many timely reminders brought by the Rev. Brooks Moore, pastor of the First Methodist church, in a Thanksgiving day union service at the First Christian church.

Moore asked two questions throughout his address — "What shall we render unto God for the many benefits rendered unto us?" and "Shall we say grace?"

Moore pointed to America's educational opportunities, ample food supply, family unity and civil freedom as things "taken as a matter of fact by people who assume they are privileges others throughout the world do not deserve."

"America is a great nation today," Moore said, "not because of what we have done, but because of the good done by God."

Missionaries needed. The world is disintegrating and falling apart because of America's failure to send needed missionaries to war-torn countries," Moore stated. Religion is practically unknown to the youth of these impoverished nations where the young people roam the land "like animals rather than human beings," he said.

The pastor called for a "praying America," rather than one which imagines itself a great humanitarian in its role of sending relief supplies to its unfortunate and poor neighbors overseas.

Moore concluded with a plea for self-sacrifice among Americans, reminding the congregation that the Pilgrims who originated Thanksgiving day existed on five grains of corn during their first year in the first colony.

Presiding at Service
Presiding at the service was the Rev. Dudley Strain, host pastor. The Rev. James H. Taylor, pastor of the Four Square church, gave the invocation. The scripture reading was by the Rev. Walter S. Frederick, pastor of the Evangelistic Tabernacle Assembly of God; the prayer by the Rev. Louis E. White, pastor, Knight Memorial Congregational church; the Rev. Lloyd H. Anderson, pastor of the First Baptist, the Thanksgiving proclamation, and the benediction by the Rev. Lloyd G. Uecker, pastor of the Englewood Evangelical United Brethren church.

Solists were S. Peter Larson and Edith Fairham. Rose Mary Naff was organist.

Other Thanksgiving services were held at St. Joseph's Catholic church, St. Vincent de Paul's Catholic church, St. Paul's Episcopal church, Christ Lutheran churches and St. Mark's Lutheran church.

3 Lost as Ship Sinks at Guam

GUAM, Friday, Nov. 26 (AP)—The motorship Santa Maria sank about 750 miles northeast of Guam today. At least three crew members were believed lost.

Navy rescue vessels were standing by after 14 other men were picked up safe.

Reports relayed here said the American-owned motorship went down at 10 a.m. in heavy seas. It developed a port list. The main deck bulkhead was swept away. Life rafts were lost.

Radio messages from the scene said one crew member was carried down with the ship. Two bodies were reported sighted.

Terms Reached in East, West Coast Dock Strikes

U.N. Spot For Israel Proposed

By Francis W. Carpenter
PARIS, Nov. 25 (AP) — Admission of Israel to the United Nations was urged today by the acting Palestine mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche.

He assailed as "a contemptible slander of a dead man" the allegation by Slav bloc delegates that American and British representatives secretly wrote the section of the Bernadotte report suggesting the Negev desert in the south go to the Arabs.

Bunche also warned that the Arabs must "accept responsibility for prolonging" the Palestine dispute by refusing to negotiate with Israel, Egypt, Lebanon and Trans-Jordan, however, once again gave notice that they would not negotiate directly with the Jews.

Bunche put a seven-point peace plan before the 58-nation political committee of the U. N. assembly after Russia's Semeon K. Tsarapkin had formally submitted a resolution which observers said apparently was intended to force all U. N. truce observers, as well as all Arab armies, to withdraw from the Holy Land.

Tsarapkin said the Soviet "recommendations the immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops and foreign military personnel from territory of the Jewish and Arab states in Palestine."

Reds Continue Pressure in Suchow Area

NANKING, Nov. 25 (AP)—Chinese nationalists reported some moderate successes east of Suchow today, but heavy fighting farther south indicated the communists were maintaining their pressure on the approaches to this capital.

Pro-government dispatches said three government columns had joined 25 miles east of Suchow, culminating a 17-day battle with the communists in that sector some 200 miles north of Nanking.

One of the government columns was identified as that of Gen. Huang Pa-Tao, whose seventh army group took the brunt of the Red assault. It was generally conceded that only about one-fourth of this group had escaped the communist pincers.

(No numbers were given, but the communist radio said that in the whole engagement 18 government divisions were destroyed. This would run as high as 200,000 men if the nationalist divisions were anywhere near full strength, but such an assumption is open to doubt. Casualty figures generally are widely exaggerated by both sides.)

The official Chinese central news agency said the nationalists east of Suchow had recaptured 10 villages and were "mopping up" the area.

Angels Found Slightly Tippy

SEATTLE, Nov. 25 (AP) — Beautiful organ music played expertly, issued from the Plymouth Congregational church, greeting the Thanksgiving day at 3:30 a.m. today.

George H. Beeton, church caretaker, heard the music and went to investigate. He knew that both the doors of the church and the organ itself had been locked.

Climbing three flights of stairs, he found a man sitting at the organ — somewhat tipsy but none the less the master of the organ.

Passengers Overjoyed, Liner Elizabeth to Sail

ABOARD THE QUEEN ELIZABETH, Southampton, England, Nov. 25 (AP) — Apparent settlement of the dock workers' strike in New York and announcement that the Queen Elizabeth will sail on Sunday, 11 days late, set off an almost hysterical Thanksgiving celebration among the passengers today.

The noisiest demonstration was in the tourist class where some of the 500 passengers, mostly emigrants, were almost destitute.

Many had only about \$20 when they embarked and some had only \$8 left today to get them to destinations in the United States.

Settlement of the strike, subject to a vote of the dock workers meant a reprieve from the line's order for all aboard to go ashore by Friday or Saturday. It also saved the Cunard line the trouble of a possible "sit down" strike by some 900 of the passen-

gers who objected to finding hotel accommodations ashore.

The ship's food stores had been almost depleted by the 1,500 passengers of all classes who had lived at the line's expense since Friday night or Saturday.

But to make the day one of genuine Thanksgiving the line served turkey with cranberry sauce, chestnut stuffing and mince pies tonight.

News of the settlement of the strike spread from stem to stern of the huge ship and started a cheering celebration about 8 a.m.

Half dressed men and women poured out of their cabins and paraded up and down the passageways or massed in excitement around the bulletin boards where notices soon were posted that the Queen Elizabeth will sail at about 8 a.m. Sunday. Some were laughing, some in tears.

The delayed departure cost the line about \$20,000 a day.

Unions to Vote on Contracts

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 25 (AP)—Settlement of the west and east coast maritime strikes was agreed upon today by ship owners and union officers.

In each case the settlement must be ratified by the union memberships.

The west coast strike, involving CIO longshoremen and four other unions, was in its 35th day. Settlement was announced tonight between employers and the longshore union.

Earlier, in New York, an agreement was reached on the 16-day-old strike between ship owners and union officials representing 65,000 AFL longshoremen.

The most important terms of the west coast agreement:

- 1. A 15 cent hourly wage increase, effective upon work resumption. The union had asked for 15 cents, bringing the base pay to \$1.82 per hour. The employers had offered 10 cents.

- 2. A three-year contract to June 15, 1951.
- 3. Agreement to operate under a long-range peace plan.
- 4. National CIO underwriting of contracts.
- 5. Improved grievance machinery.
- 6. Increased vacation benefits.
- 7. A designated day off each week, nine hour maximum shift and an 8 a.m. starting time.

- 8. Bridges signs.

Signing the joint agreement were longshore chief Harry B. Bridg as employer negotiator Dwight C. Steele and Colonel John Kilpatrick, and R. J. Thomas, national CIO representative.

The Pacific American Steamship association must still settle with the CIO marine cooks and stewards, the independent firemen and the CIO radio operators. An agreement was reached some time ago with the marine engineers, but it was contingent upon settlement with the other unions.

East coast terms:

- 1. A 13-cent hourly wage increase, retroactive August 21 when previous contracts expired.
- 2. The longshoremen's previous lowest demand was 25 cents an hour increase. The employers had originally offered 10 cents. Straight daytime pay was \$1.75 an hour.
- 3. A welfare plan of undisclosed scope.
- 4. Retention of the traditional twice-a-day "shapeup" or work call, with the guarantee of four hours work for men called to work only once in a single day.
- 5. Extra vacation benefits.
- 6. Increase in Night Pay.
- 7. An increase of 19 1/2 cents hourly in the present night, weekend and over time pay rate of \$2.62 1/2, retroactive to Aug. 21.

The terms were accepted by negotiating committees headed by Joseph F. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's association, and John V. Lyon, chairman of the New York Shipping association, representing employers.

Nearly \$30,000,000 worth of Marshall plan cargo has piled up as a result of the east coast strike. On the west coast, the tieup has cost an employer-estimated \$4,000,000 per day.

23 Walk Unhurt from Burning TWA Airliner

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 25 (AP)—Eighteen passengers and five crew members walked safely away from a burning transcontinental TWA airliner early today when it caught fire after landing hard on fog-bound Municipal airport.

The plane burned to rubble. Police Captain Chester Welch credited the pilot, Capt. Evan Lewis, 44, of Los Angeles, with averting a major disaster.

Lewis prevented the huge plane from cracking up in a ditch near the runway, and then saw all passengers, including four children, to safety through a rear emergency door before leaving the constellation himself.

"We came down harder than usual and the plane bumped on the runway," Lewis said. "Then fire broke out in the outboard engine on the right wing and the plane veered off the runway, just missing a ditch."

Lewis said he rushed back to the passenger compartment to find a hostess trying to open a rear emergency door. He pushed it open.

"Before I could get the emergency ladder down, two or three passengers leaped to the ground," said Lewis.

Greek Premier Suffers Second Heart Attack

ATHENS, Nov. 25 (AP) — Theomikles Sophoulis, 68-year-old premier, had a second heart attack today. In view of his release the coordinating council named two acting-deputy premiers.

Deputy Premier Constantinos Tsaldaris, a populist, is now in Paris at the United Nations meeting. The two acting deputies are Petro Mavromihalis, populist minister of the navy, and Constantine Rentis, liberal.

Sophoulis, a liberal, was stricken by a heart attack in the midst of guiding his government over a still critical political period. He was revived by oxygen and injections but was not removed from his office.

His doctors said this morning his general condition was improving, but this evening he had a second attack. The doctors later said the crisis of the second attack was receding, and they thought he would recover. U. S. Ambassador Henry F. Grady called personally to inquire after his condition.

Inauguration Seats Costly

WASHINGTON, Nov. 25 (AP)—At least 5,000 seats for the big parade of 1949 — the inauguration of President Truman — will be available at \$2 a copy.

But Chairman Melvin D. Hildreth said today that costs of printing the cards for the parade are higher than the inaugural committee expected.

As a result, he said, the choice seats must go into the higher price brackets. He said he "hopes" to keep the top at \$10.

Hildreth said there will be about 40,000 seats available when Mr. Truman rides to the capitol to take the oath of office on January 20, compared with 20,000 at the last big inaugural parade for Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1941. Due to the war, no parade was held in 1945. The late President Roosevelt was sworn in at the White House.

Woman Forgets to Undress Dressing

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 25 (AP) — Honest folks, Edward Anderson, chief dierctor at a hospital, says this actually happened today.

A woman, worried about the chestnut dressing for her Thanksgiving turkey, telephoned Anderson saying she was afraid to serve it because the nuts were hard as rocks.

Anderson asked her if, by any chance, she had shelled the nuts. "Oh," she inquired sheepishly, "do you have to shell them?"

Return of Frosty Weather Forecast

Return of frosty mornings to the Willamette was predicted Thursday night by the Salem weather bureau. But the weather-man also promised warmer daytime temperatures.

Early hour drivers Friday morning were slowed by slick patches of highway, with the state police reporting stalling operations south of Monmouth and at Harrisburg. A low of 28 degrees was predicted for the Salem area Saturday morning. Patches of sunshine Friday were expected to raise the afternoon high to near 50 degrees.

QUICKIES



"I started my business with a Statesman Want Ad — and this shoestring!"

Schoolboy Group Turns Tables On Advocate of Boy-Whipping

ECCLESHELL, Eng., Nov. 25 (AP)—Eric Wildman, who makes canes for whipping schoolboys, was recovering tonight from a dose of his own medicine.

He tried to sell his cane to the wrong school today. In addition to a 30-pound turkey the inmates dined on cranberries, sweet potatoes, pudding and dressing.

Traffic Lights Due Soon at Mission, 12th

One of Salem's busiest intersections — Mission street at 12th — will soon have traffic lights, it was announced Thursday.

The lights, of the stop-and-go, walk and wait variety, will be installed upon the arrival of the control box. Delay in shipment may postpone operation of the lights until January, however.

The Mission street intersections, long a hazard to vehicular and pedestrian traffic, will be lighted from city funds. Other traffic signals have been paid 50-50 by the state and city.

Bush school patrols during school hours will be eliminated with installation of the lights, as will conflict between north-south traffic and summertime traffic to and from Waters park.

EAGLES PRESIDENT IN STATE

BEND, Nov. 25 (AP) — Devere Watson, Council Bluffs, Iowa, national president of the Eagles, will speak at a banquet of the fraternal lodge here Sunday. Bend will be the only city in Oregon where the lodge chief will visit.

CON KILLED IN MASS BREAK

CHICAGO, Nov. 25 (AP) — Cook county jail guards felled a Thanksgiving day break by nine prisoners, shooting and killing one of them. The others were recaptured in the jail yard.

This Year	Last Year	Average
11.23	15.54	8.56

25 SHOPPING DAYS LEFT

JEWELRY

BUY CHRISTMAS SEALS