

Power Lines Cut; Buses Detour Floods

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Utilities and transportation systems had interruptions of service Thursday as a result of the heavy rainfall and high wind.

Portland General Electric officials here said trees blown across their lines had given the most difficulty, with one such instance resulting in a 30-minute outage of electric current for most of Salem. This happened about 6:30 a.m. when a large cottonwood tree on Croisan road south of the golf club blew over and took out with it a 57,000 volt main line.

Earlier a tree tangled with wire at Molalla, causing a brief outage here around 5 a.m. Local troubles occurred also at Scotts Mills, Silverton, Woodburn, Mt. Angel and other communities.

Division Manager Fred G. Starr of PGE said all service was restored by late afternoon.

City buses were rerouted on several roads to avoid high water and deteriorated roads. Manager R. J. Davidson said the most troublesome spots were Ratcliff drive where a wood bridge was under two feet of water. Buff street near Vista where a bridge was under water, the north Salem underpass, and Hawthorne street which has broken up to the point where buses are avoiding the street and Monroe avenue.

Pacific Greyhound buses detoured around the filled underpass and remained generally on schedule through Salem. However, the bus route to Bend was cut, and the Dallas to Falls City run was discontinued after a bridge washed out between the two communities.

Salem school district bus transportation was not much affected, but several school basement pumping operations were necessary. The McKinley basement took in water in the furnace room, but classrooms were not affected. Washington school had to be pumped out and Bush school after taxing capacity of its sump pump got by when an auxiliary pump was brought in.

County to Start Foreclosure Proceedings

Foreclosure procedure on tax delinquent properties in Marion county will get underway Tuesday, District Attorney E. O. Stader, jr., announced Thursday. But this year's list of 22 properties is one of the smallest on record, according to the tax collection office.

Twenty-seven parcels appeared a year ago and 35 in 1947.

The foreclosure involves the 1944-45 tax roll, on which payments began in November, 1944, and for which the delinquent date was last August 15. The procedure begins six months after that date with publication of the list of properties on which taxes are delinquent, then filing of a complaint in circuit court.

Owners of the property have one year in which to make redemption and retain title by payment of taxes, interest and penalty. The court suit may be contested within 30 days after filing. Stader reminded that personal serving of the suit on taxpayers is not required.

At the end of one year, a court decree transfers title to the still delinquent properties to the county.

Mindszenty Hears Sentence



BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 9—Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty (left), Hungary's primate, clasps his hands before him as he stands in the People's court in Budapest, Hungary, February 9 and hears himself sentenced to life imprisonment. At right is professor Justin Baranyay, professor of church law at the University of Budapest, who was sentenced to 15 years in prison. Seated between them is a "former guard." (AP Wirephoto via radio from Vienna to The Statesman).

Traffic Ordinance Campaign Planned By Salem Police

Jaywalkers beware! And drivers who steal the right-of-way from pedestrians, too!

Police Chief Frank Minto warned Thursday that he is instructing his patrolmen to strictly enforce all city ordinances regarding pedestrian and motor traffic in Salem.

Minto said that pedestrian safety was endangered by the disregard of traffic rules both by drivers and pedestrians. Patrolmen are being instructed to arrest all violators, Minto said.

Specific ordinances which the police force will bear down on are jaywalking (crossing street against red or stop-wait signals or between intersections); and pedestrians' right of way (drivers shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians when traffic control signals are not in place or operation, or at cross walks, marked or unmarked).

Flood Victims Ask Aid from County Crews

Marion county road crews were doing what they could to ease road troubles and care for emergency Thursday, but they had two strikes against them. In the first place, the county court has imposed a weight limit on the roads to save breakage during the thaw, and county trucks also obey that order — so their loads of hole — filling gravel are limited. And then, the night's heavy rains flooded parts of the county shops on Silverton road, including considerable leakage into the underground gasoline storage. When the trucks refueled Thursday morning, they took on more water than gasoline. Some of them never got out of the yard, but otherwise got out on the job before stalling. They were towed back.

The court was busy most of the morning with plans for help to get people unflooded, unstuck and out of other troubles. The members said repair gravel was being put only in chuck holes on oiled roads in order to save further breakage.

Calls for help came from Schirmann road, running into South River road, where drainage from Salem Heights was unable to sink into the frozen ground, overflowed the ditches and got into yards and homes.

Appeals came also from residents of McCain avenue, Bartlett street, road 422 near Butteville, a street in Brooks, road 634 east of Labish Center school, all of which were called impassable due to mud and ruts.

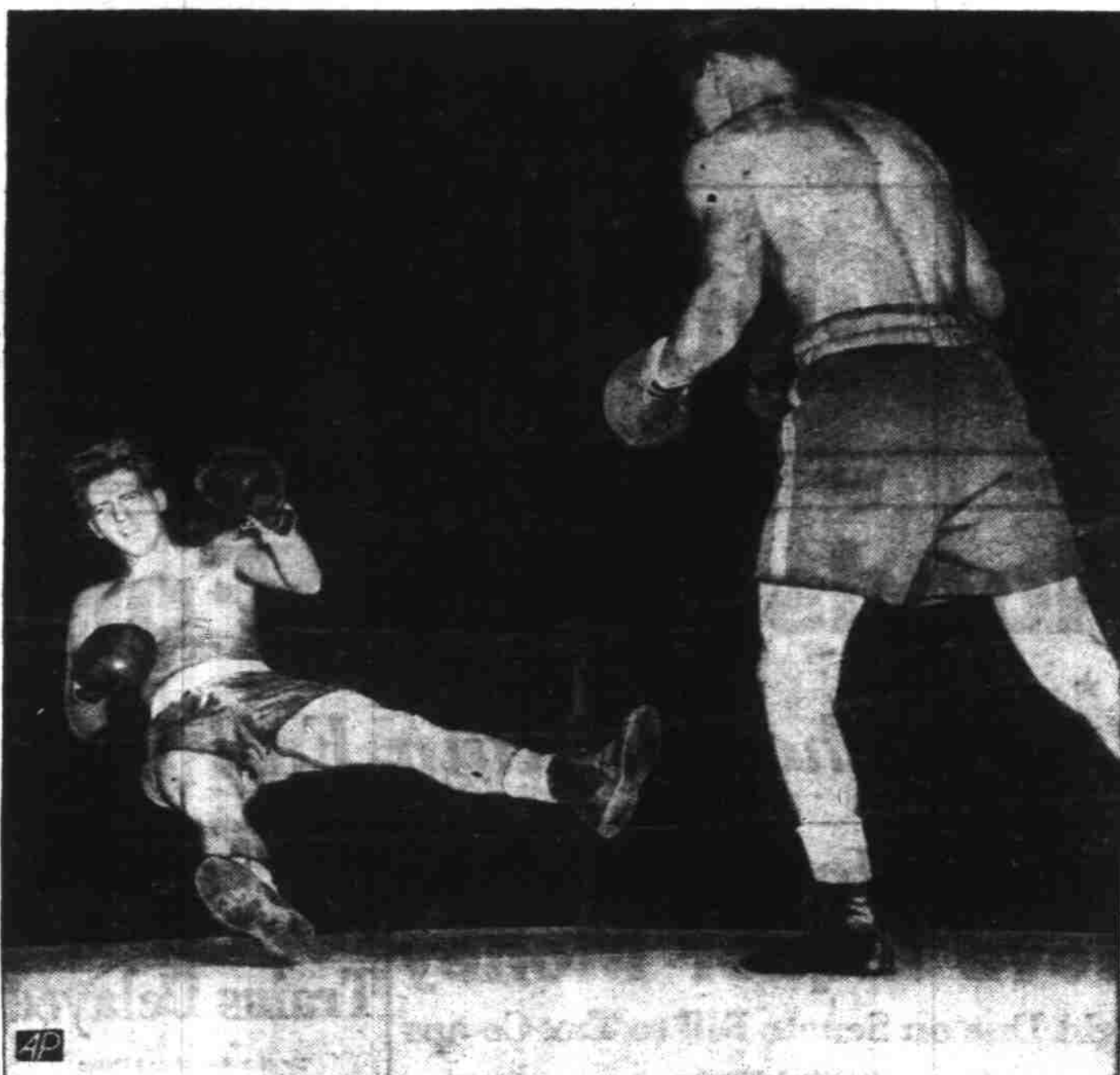
Three cars were reported stuck on Monroe avenue east of Salem, and other residents "hoofed" it to the highway. Residents of Ratcliff drive appealed for someone to be sure a bridge, which had disappeared under water, was still in the right spot.

Reserve Unit Holds Box Social - Dance

Seventy-five couples attended the Naval reserve box social-dance held at the VFW hall Wednesday night. The ball was sponsored by the navy, seebe, marine and air reserve units in Salem.

It is planned to make the affair an annual social function of the reserve units.

Serving coffee were Mrs. Florence Wright, Mrs. C. W. Ohlson, Mrs. James C. Jones, Mrs. George Hug and Mrs. Emma Seeley.



HITTING THE DECK—Virgil Wharton goes down for the count in his elimination bout with Billy Muth at Great Lakes Naval Training Center for the Kenosha, Wis., Golden Gloves tournament. Marshall Simonson, Kenosha photographer, himself a boxer, timed Muth's punch for KO picture.



TABBED—Lola Albright, in "Champion," has been named "the most beautiful bet for stardom" by the Pacific Artists Club.

Bill Asks State Loans Finance Housing Units

The Oregon legislature probably will consider creation of a state housing authority and letting the state loan money to housing authorities to build low-rental housing projects.

The program, approved by six of the seven local housing authorities in the state, was submitted Thursday to the special legislative housing committee.

The program is creation of a five-man housing authority. It would be named by the state board of control, and would help the local authorities meet critical housing shortages.

Use of the state's credit to loan money to local housing authorities. The money would be returned to the state when the local authorities sell bonds backed by completed projects.

State grants to match funds provided by housing authorities, cities or counties for surveys of housing needs in any area.

The proposals probably will be introduced by the special housing committee of the legislature.

The state-aid bill would have to be referred to the people. It would provide a \$15,000,000 fund, providing an annual \$245,000 subsidy.

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Olivier Ceded Lead in Annual Oscar Derby

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 10—(AP)—It looks like a hot race for the top female academy award and a runaway for Laurence Olivier among the men.

The academy of motion picture arts and sciences tonight announced nominations for its 1948 awards. The top selections are:

Best performance by an actress — Ingrid Bergman, "Joan of Arc"; Olivia DeHavilland, "The Snake Pit"; Irene Dunne, "I Remember Mama"; Barbara Stanwyck, "Sorry, Wrong Number"; Jane Wyman, "Johnny Belinda". Best performance by an actor — Lou Ayres, "Johnny Belinda"; Montgomery Clift, "The Search"; Dan Dailey, "When My Baby Smiles at Me"; Laurence Olivier, "Hamlet"; Clifton Webb, "Sitting Pretty".

The best motion picture — "Hamlet," "Johnny Belinda," "The Red Shoes," "The Snake Pit," "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre."

Philadelphia Crippled By Transit Union Strike

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10—(AP)—Transit workers in this third largest city in the nation went on strike at 12:01 a.m. today for a fourth round wage increase.

The walkout of 11,000 Philadelphia Transportation company employees shut down 1,500 miles of transit lines which carry 3,200,000 riders daily.

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U.S. Diplomat Expelled by Hungarians

BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 10—(AP)—Hungary expelled another United States diplomat today on charges of spying and smuggling men out of the country.

Following the ouster of Stephen A. Kozak before the treason trial of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty got under way last week, the communist-led government announced the expulsion of Robin Edwin Steussy.

Kozak was second secretary and vice consul of the U. S. legation in Budapest and its only Hungarian-speaking member. Steussy, 28-year-old native of Madison, Wis., was vice consul and third secretary.

Steussy left at noon for Vienna. Kozak went to that Austrian capital last week.

In addition to espionage work, the government charges, Kozak and Steussy "smuggled men, using cars and bribed Dr. Tibor Gal, an officer of the customs, and some others."

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Fish vs. Power Fight Opens on Deschutes Dam

The Oregon legislature's fish vs. power fight opened last night at a public hearing on a bill to prevent building a power dam on the Deschutes river.

Sponsors of the bill, who include both sports and commercial fishermen, seek to prevent three private power companies from building a \$12,000,000 dam on the Deschutes below the mouth of the Metolius.

They argued that the dam would destroy a large salmon run on the river.

Gen. Thomas M. Robins, former northwest division army engineer and president of the company formed to build the dam, denied that any sizable number of salmon go up the river.

Donald R. Johnson, biologist for the state fish commission, said the Deschutes eventually could produce \$2,700,000 worth of salmon a year. He said fish couldn't pass over the 150-foot high dam.

Farm Bureau Submits Its Tax Program

Support of a sales tax provided proper exemptions, specified uses, and other tax reductions are provided, was promised by the Oregon Farm bureau in a statement submitted to the legislature last week.

The bureau is opposed to placing the corporate excise tax revenue in the general fund without compensating change elsewhere.

Other proposals:

Protest repeal of the 6 per cent limitation law.

Oppose repeal of the property off-set provision of the income tax law.

Suggests higher gasoline tax with non-highway use exemption, with counties and cities sharing in any increase.

Opposed to return of the counties by state highway department of roads now maintained by the state.

Regulation of surface mining. Statewide instead of sectional anti-pollution program.

Protection of children transported by school buses.

Opposed to election of a lieutenant governor.

Strengthen initiative law to prevent confusion in future elections.

Repeal of community property law if there follows enactment of

Air Defenses Diagrammed



WASHINGTON, Feb. 10—Air force chiefs, testifying today before house armed services committee, presented this chart to show headquarters of air defense forces for protection of continental United States. Nation is divided into an east and a west defense area (dotted line vertically near center). Regular air force areas (solid lines) are further divided during war time (broken lines). Regular headquarters (stars) are in New York, Syracuse, Tallahassee, St. Paul, Albuquerque, Great Falls, Seattle, San Francisco. Air national guard centers (dots) are in Boston, Washington, Atlanta, Columbus, Chicago, St. Louis, Houston, Bismark, Denver, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, and Albuquerque. (AP Wirephoto from Air Forces to The Statesman.)

Boys Held on Liquor Charge

Two youths were held in the city jail Thursday night in lieu of \$100 bail following their arrest for illegal possession of intoxicating liquor.

Harold Post, owner of the Temple restaurant, 211 N. Commercial st., posted \$250 bail Thursday night on a charge of selling beer to the minors.

Arresting officers said they saw Post sell four bottles of beer to one of the teen-age boys. The pair was arrested with the liquor in the 300 block of Chemeketa street.

The Hassayampa River, located near Wickenburg, Ariz., is famous for its legendary lore. It is said "if you drink the waters, facing downstream, you'll never tell the truth again."

Gervais Altar Society Has Large Card Party

GERVAIS — The Sacred Heart parish recently held another in the series of card parties with 12 tables in play. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nosack were in charge of arrangements. Winners in "500" were Mrs. Fred Eder, John Klenki and J. E. Jungwirth. Val Miller had Pedro honors.

The Mothers club of the Sacred Heart school met at the school Tuesday. Plans for improvement of the school grounds and adding more equipment were made.

Mrs. John Grassman served.

TULSA EMPLOYEES KILLED

TULSA, Okla., Feb. 10—(AP)—Five city water department employees were unaccounted for and believed dead today after their work launch sank in 11 feet of water in the middle of the swollen Arkansas river.

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