



Swedish Ambassador Erik Boheman and his party found Oregon's modern capitol building and scenic beauties, particularly the rhododendrons, most admirable during their stay in Salem Tuesday.

'Boss' Hague's Forces Concede Election

Three Decade New Jersey Rule Broken

Jersey City, N. J., May 10 (AP)—Frank Hague's forces conceded defeat tonight in this city's hotly-fought municipal commission election.

Mayor Frank Hague Eggers, nephew of the veteran political chieftain, issued a statement shortly after 10 p. m. (EDT), saying: "It is the will of the people and we will abide by their decision."

Complete unofficial returns gave 817 votes to the party of the opposition. The position was split into three camps. The most formidable was led by John V. Kenny, a one-time Hague lieutenant, who has charged that the aging leader is a dictator, attempting to set up a dynasty.

First West Train Heads for Berlin

Melting Snow Sends Streams Over Banks

Portland, May 9 (AP)—A hot sun sent snow-fed streams in the upper Columbia basin to flood levels today, but river forecasters advised that a major flood was not in prospect.

The weather bureau here said the deep Columbia channel could handle the run-off without danger, although the lower Columbia is again expected to reach flood stage of 15 feet at Vancouver, Wash., by Friday.

The only damage predicted was in northern Washington. The Wenatchee river there was only 5 1/2 feet below the flood crest of last year and was expected to go up another 3 feet and damage farm fields.

Temperatures climbed again in Oregon today, reaching 90 degrees at Ontario. Other highs: Bend 89, Medford 87, Bend 88, La Grande 95, Baker 84, The Dalles 86, Portland 81, Roseburg 84, Klamath Falls 78, Newport 58.

In eastern Washington it climbed to 96 at Pasco.

Turner-Aumsville District 5 Votes Cut in School Tax Levy

Turner, May 10 (Special)—The budget committee and school board of Turner-Aumsville school district 5 here last night voted to lower the district's tax levy from 50.1 to 34.5 mills—a reduction of 15.6 mills.

The reduction was made possible, it was explained, because of a \$45,000 surplus in the 1948-49 budget. About \$1,500 was saved in tuition fees when more students were accommodated at Turner.

Also missing from the 1948-51 budget is an \$11,000 appropriation used to purchase the site of the proposed Turner-Aumsville high school building.

The proposed new levy would raise a total of \$89,700 as compared with \$129,995 in last year's record budget. The proposed budget includes \$20,000 and interest on an approved bond issue for building of a new district high school building between the cities.

The action preceded a May 16 vote to decide whether the Turner-Aumsville district should be dissolved. The committee and board said a favorable vote on dissolution would create a \$100,000 deficit within the district and would necessitate disposing of the \$15,000 site of the proposed new school building.

Clay Speaks At Farewell Ceremonies

Frankfurt, Germany, May 11 (Wednesday)—(AP)—The first five cars of the first train to Berlin since the Russians blockaded the former German capital left Frankfurt early today.

The train, carrying almost 100 news and radio correspondents and British and American officials, left Frankfurt at 8:37 a. m. (1:37 p. m. EST).

The cars are scheduled to arrive this afternoon at the border-crossing point of Helmstedt in the British zone where they will be coupled onto a British military train.

The Anglo-American train is expected to cross into the Russian zone at 2:13 a. m. tomorrow (7:13 p. m. today, EST).

Chamber Group Plans Action To Prevent Loss of Air Traffic



By Lester F. Cour Staff Writer, The Statesman

Salem's Chamber of Commerce aviation committee Tuesday plans for immediate action to prevent loss of a major portion of commercial air traffic at McNary field because of sub-standard landing equipment.

Commercial pilots, through the Air Transport association, have notified City Manager J. L. Franzen they will refuse to land at the airport during cloudy weather this fall and winter unless adequate equipment is installed.

W. M. (Jack) Bartlett, director of the state board of aeronautics and chairman of the aviation committee, was chairman for the special session. Attending were James Mathews, assistant United Air Lines flight manager in the northwest; Hal Sweeney, Salem UAL manager; James Rudolph, CAA transport inspector; L. W. Ashall, district CAA carrier inspector; Lt. Cmdr. Wallace Hug, Salem naval reserve facility manager; Charles Barclay, new Salem airport manager; City Manager J. L. Franzen; Chamber President Hoy Franzen; and committee members Burr Miller, James Walton and Wayne Hadley.

Red Troops Resume South China Drives

Shanghai, Wednesday, May 11 (AP)—The Communist drive into South China has reached Kinki less than 50 miles from coastal Fukien Province, the Nationalists admitted today.

In its first reference to the main Red offensive in 48 hours, the Shanghai garrison command said 2,000 Communists have attacked Kinki, south of the Chekiang-Kiangsi railroad.

This meant the main Nationalist rail escape route from eastern China to Canton had been cut again. The Reds previously had sealed off the Shanghai area by taking Hangchow. Kinki is 250 air miles southwest of Hangchow and 80 miles southeast of Nanchang.

The garrison communique also said the Reds were attacking Kashi, 50 miles southeast of Shanghai. It admitted communications with the city were severed at dawn—which usually means captured.

The communique gave no indication of the size of the Kashi attack, but most actions in that area appeared to have been small scale.

Area Cities Follow On Daylight Time; Still Don't Like It

An unofficial survey Tuesday indicated that most Willamette valley cities will reluctantly follow Salem by adopting daylight saving time next Monday.

In most cities, councils were being polled by mayors to secure authorization to proclaim the time switch before next week's council meetings. No official proclamation had been made Tuesday night however.

Woodburn, Dallas, Albany, Mt. Angel and Silverton councils have already indicated they would follow Salem's decision. Officials of smaller cities indicated they opposed the change, but indicated they would approve it to avoid confusion.

Good Cherry Crops Forecast By Willamette Valley Growers

By Lillie L. Madven Farm Editor, The Statesman Indications are that there will be a better than average crop of cherries this season in the Willamette valley. E. E. Shinn of Willamette Cherry Growers said Tuesday.

Cherries passed the blossom stage without any cold rains. Early dews and sprays were applied without being washed off. If growers are careful and spray or dust when the flies emerge, notices of which are sent out, the crop should be very promising, Shinn stated.

Some fear of competition from Italian brine cherries this year has been expressed by local growers, but this fear so far is unfounded, Shinn stated. No action on this will be taken by the gov-

Board to Name Boys School Head Friday

The state board of control announced Tuesday it had agreed upon a superintendent of the Oregon Boys school at Woodburn, but his name would not be revealed until Friday.

The new superintendent would succeed M. D. Woolley, who resigned recently to accept a position as secretary of the Hawthorn county chamber of commerce at Burns.

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



"Now think for a minute, Madam—how would you manage without your husband?"

Atlantic Pact Debate Raises Defense Point

Washington, May 10 (AP)—The Atlantic pact does not mean any "Moginot line" defense of western Europe, nor does it signify that a vast army will be strung along the borders of that area, senate foreign policy leaders said today.

Exactly what the United States would do in case of an attack on western Europe was left unsaid by Chairman Connally (D-Tex) of the senate foreign relations committee, and Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.).

But Gen. Omar N. Bradley, army chief of staff, has made plain that if he had his way, the strategy would be to stop an invasion, rather than let the continent be overrun and then seek to liberate it later.

The question of how far the United States is prepared to go in meeting such an invasion was raised at a senate hearing by James P. Warburg, former New York banker.

He told the senate foreign relations committee he would oppose the North Atlantic security treaty, now before the committee, if the United States intends to defend the frontiers of western Europe in the event of war.

Chairman Connally assured him that the treaty does not contemplate sending any army along the Rhine, the Oder or the Elbe.

The kitchen was almost totally destroyed but remainder of the damage was almost totally due to water and smoke.

Blaze Damage Low At Page Residence

Fire starting at 8:45 p. m. Tuesday swept from cellar to roof in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Page 1589 Chemeketa st., but firemen fighting the blaze until 10:30 prevented destruction of the house.

The fire, starting from faulty wiring firemen believe, swept upward through a clothes chute. Firemen encountered the blaze in almost every room but managed to meet it before it had time to ignite the several rooms.

NEWBERG WOMAN DIES

YAKIMA, May 10 (AP)—Injuries suffered in a two-car crash yesterday were fatal today to Miss Daisy Hendrix of Newberg. Miss Hendrix, who served 15 years as a missionary in Korea, had been a speaker at a religious conference here.

Pet Parade at Silverton Scheduled for May 27

Silverton, May 10 (Special)—The annual American Legion pet parade has been set for Friday, May 27, beginning at 6 p. m. This will be the 18th consecutive year for the youth activity.

Vandals Damage Albany Property, Roll Over Autos

Albany, Ore., May 10 (AP)—Store windows were broken, cars rolled over and two false fire alarms were turned in here early today in a seige of destructive vandalism.

Police Chief James Byerly said several youths had been questioned but there had been no arrests made late today.

He said 14 cases of wilful property destruction were received from suburban and business sections. Several parked cars were moved into center lanes of streets and windows broken through store windows.

Music Festival Nets \$97.50 for Band Fund

Willamina, May 10 (Special)—The music festival program Friday netted \$97.50, which will be used for the grade school band fund.

The program, attended by about 400 people, was an annual event sponsored by the Civic club. Mrs. Roy Durham was in charge of the program, which was in the "Gay Nineties" theme.

Eagle Scout Held for Church Slaying of Roanoke Classmate

Roanoke, Va., May 10 (AP)—Eagle Scout Lee Scott, 16, was formally charged tonight with the church-kitchen murder of Dana Marie Weaver, attractive and popular school girl, also 16.

The boy was taken to the city jail and a copy of the warrant, signed by Police Judge S. R. Price, handed to his attorney.

The warrant was issued after police had questioned the youth since 2 p. m. today. He had been taken quietly from his class room at Jefferson high school after police received reports he had scratches on his face.

The accused gave police a statement during the questioning but it was reported to be fragmentary. Whether any or all of it was signed was not learned.

A brief statement only was issued by police tonight in an unprecedented press conference here. Detective Capt. Frank H. Webb simply said that Scott had been charged with slaying the girl.

British Voters Swing Right

London, May 10 (AP)—British voters have continued their trend to the right in the first of week-long elections in England and Wales, returns showed today.

The conservative party announced a net gain of 77 seats in incomplete returns from balloting for 352 urban and rural district councils. It said gains included 43 seats won from incumbents of the ruling labor (socialist) party.

Ford Peace Talks To Continue Today

Detroit, May 10 (AP)—The first peace talks since the start of the six-day Ford strike broke up today with no settlement in sight.

Another session was scheduled tomorrow at 10 a. m.

As the talks went on, more Ford plants across the nation prepared to lay off 14,000 workers and shut down at the end of the day's operations.

Survey Totals Deaths, Damage in 1948 Flood

Washington, May 10 (AP)—The May, 1948, spring flood on the lower Columbia river killed 51 persons and caused property damage exceeding \$100,000,000, the Geological Survey said today.

That made it the Washington-Oregon area's most expensive flood, the agency said in a report, although floods of 1894 and 1876 were deeper and more violent.

Portlanders Plead for State Office Building

Advantage that would accrue to the city of Portland, as a whole, and to the public both inside and outside the city, through construction of the proposed new \$2,500,000 state office building in East Portland, was emphasized by a group of officials of the east side Commercial club before the state board of control Tuesday.

Arguments advanced by the group were largely the same as submitted to a previous board of control, had recently indicated.

The board said it would inspect a number of the proposed sites for the building and if it is built on the east side of the Willamette river it probably will be located in the Holladay park addition.

Dean Wells told the board that Holladay park addition was favored by residents of East Portland as a site for the new structure largely because of its central location and available parking areas.

Wells also stressed that Ralph E. Lloyd, owner of the Holladay Addition, had recently indicated a \$25,000,000 development which would include a hotel, apartment houses, mercantile establishments and other projects. "It is our opinion," Wells said, "that location of the state office building in the Holladay park addition eventually would mean creation of a civic center second to none in the Pacific northwest.

Oregon Uranium Strike Reported

Portland, May 10 (AP)—Clifford T. Howlett, a Democratic party leader of Portland, was quoted here tonight as reporting a deposit of uranium ore had been found in southeast Oregon.

Howlett reported by telephone from Los Angeles that the deposit was in the Steens mountain area. Howlett said the Grock Engineering co., Los Angeles, had engaged the ore as bearing 4.27 percent uranium oxide. He said the ore was valued at \$299.46 a ton.

The Portlander claimed the ore was of a type which did not emanate radioactive rays. He said several Portlanders were associated with him in the claim.

Howlett said the government's Atomic Energy Commission would be asked to certify the ore.

Baseball Scores

Western International At Victoria 6, Salem 11. At Vancouver 12, Wenatchee 5. At Bremerton 6, Yakima 3. At Spokane 7, Tacoma 21.

Coast League At Portland 6, Hollywood 5. At Seattle 3, Oakland 2. At Los Angeles 3, San Diego 7. At San Francisco 5, Sacramento 5.

American League At Detroit 1, New York 6. At St. Louis 2, Boston 1. At Cleveland 0, Washington 1. At Chicago 6, Philadelphia 5.

National League No games played, rain.

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