

Queen-Elect Patricia O'Connor To Rule '49 Cherryland Festival

A vivacious little miss from Stayton became Cherry queen-elect Friday night when Patricia O'Connor was selected to reign over the 1949 Salem Cherryland festival.

Queen-elect Patricia, 18, a brunette with a flashing smile set off by green eyes, was the candidate of Salem's Sacred Heart academy. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis O'Connor, Stayton.

Final selection of the queen was made during a colorful ceremony at the Elsinore theatre, staged by the Salem Cherrians as the last major preliminary function before the three-day festival opens here on Thursday, June 20.

A full house of 1,500 persons witnessed the queen selection, announced after vote by a committee of judges.

Miss O'Connor's princesses will be Jeannine Bentley of Lyons, representing Stayton high school; Grace Marie Kirk, St. Paul; Dorothy Neufeld, Dallas, and Katherine Specht, Jefferson. These



PATRICIA O'CONNOR To Wear Crown

girls and the queen-elect were chosen earlier from representa-

tives of nearly every high school in Marion and Polk counties.

Each of the five pretty girls was interviewed by master of ceremonies Dave Hoss last night, with a radio transcription made for later broadcast over KSLM. Advance tips on how it feels to be queen were given by Lois Eggers of Brooks, the 1948 queen, who also presented a huge bouquet of red roses to the new queen.

Mrs. B. O. Schucking (Agnes Gilbert), who was Salem's first Cherryland queen in 1903, also appeared at the microphone to reminisce over that early-day festival when she and her court moved about with horsemen escorts.

Mrs. Glenn McCormick festival board member, appeared with the girls as chaperone. All were escorted to the stage by uniformed Cherrians, headed by King Bing Deryl Myers.

The princesses wore their festival gowns of orchid marquisette and carried bouquets of sweet peas, orchid-colored carnations and bouvardia.

Standard Oil Ready to Build Pipeline West

Jobless Force of 5 Million in U.S. Forecast

Cities Restore 'Work Relief'; Crisis Doubtful

WASHINGTON, June 17 (AP)—Government economists believe that unemployment may go on climbing—perhaps to a point near 5,000,000—before recovery factors check the rise.

Stabilizing influences will come into play later this year or possibly 1950, responsible but unquotable officials predicted today. Meanwhile an Associated Press survey covering 38 states showed that five have put depression-style relief laws back on the books. Seven cities or more have restored "work relief."

But both federal and state officials said in general, that no crisis is indicated. Most said they feel sure the relief load can be shouldered without serious distress.

At least 10 states report that unemployment has dropped in recent weeks. Nationwide, two government reports issued today give this picture:

1. Unemployment claims last month averaged 1,716,000, or about 5 per cent of the total workers covered by lay-off insurance. That is up 118,000 from April but still 89,000 under March.

A further rise in June was indicated. In the week ending June 11, the federal security agency reported "continued" claims—those representing a full week or more of unemployment—numbered 2,107,979. Claims held over from the previous week because of the Memorial day holiday boosted the total.

2. Non-farm employment dipped 230,000 in May, according to the bureau of labor statistics. It stood at 43,855,000, or 961,000 below a year ago.

Despite the unseasonal rise in unemployment in May, census figures show that the jobless make up only 5.3 per cent of the expanded postwar labor force.

Girls' 'Board of Control' on Governor's Desk



No Oregon board of control meeting has ever been like the one above with the three top officials of the presently convened Girls' State perched atop the governor's desk. Teen-age girls from all over Oregon, now in Salem to learn about city, county and state government, will finish the session this week end. Left to right above are, State Treasurer Barbara Christensen, Seaside; Governor Patricia McCullough, Gresham; and Secretary of State Evelyn Low, Portland. (Statesman photo.)

Line to Connect Salt Lake City, Inland Empire

PORTLAND, June 17 (AP)—Immediate construction of the long-discussed \$6,500,000 pipeline from Standard Oil's Salt Lake City refinery to the Inland Empire is in prospect.

A Standard Oil company of California executive wrote the Union Pacific railroad that the oil firm plans to start construction of the big inch at once.

P. L. Fahrney, vice-president of Standard Oil, said his organization had decided not to wait any longer for the lower railroad freight rates. He said the pipeline would be cheaper than transportation costs.

Railroad officials, who have been battling vainly for lower freight rates on oil, expressed hope that Standard oil might still change its mind about the pipeline if the interstate commerce commission will cut rates now. A final decision from the ICC, however, is not likely before next year.

Columbia river barge and truck lines have fought the proposed freight rate cut, contending it would destroy their business of hauling petroleum from Portland to the Inland Empire. They want like the pipeline either.

Ready This Year
Railroad officials said they understood the pipeline could be completed this year.

In a hearing at Salt Lake City last year, those—was testimony that the pipeline, estimated to cost \$6,500,000 would be a common carrier and would be required to carry products of other producers if they requested service.

It was indicated the pipeline could cut the cost of moving petroleum from Salt Lake City to Inland Empire points to about 12 cents a 100 pounds. The rail rate is 95 cents a 100 pounds between Salt Lake City and Spokane. The railroads had petitioned the ICC for a cut to 42 cents a 100 pounds.

E. W. Holstad, Spokane district manager for Standard, said several routes for the line had been proposed and extensive surveys made from the air. "In general, the line will go north from Salt Lake City, cross southern Idaho, cross into Eastern Oregon and end somewhere in the vicinity of Pasco, Wash."

He said the line would serve several bulk plants in the four state area and that the final routing chosen would determine the plants served.

Robeson's Son To Wed White Cornell Grad

NEW YORK, June 17 (AP)—Paul Robeson, Jr., 21-year-old son of the negro singer, took out a license today to marry Marilyn Paula Greenberg, a white, 21-year-old Cornell University graduate.

Robeson also is a graduate of Cornell, where he was a star athlete.

The license application said the marriage is scheduled for Sunday with the Rev. John W. Darr, Jr. officiating.

The Rev. Darr is white. He said he is a congregationalist minister but not at present attached to any particular church. He said he was engaged in "community work" but was not connected with a specific social agency.

Mrs. Rae Greenberg, mother of the bride-to-be, signed a certificate of consent for her daughter's marriage.

Robeson listed his occupation as electrical engineer. His father returned only yesterday from a tour of Europe, including Soviet Russia where he said he was warmly welcomed.

Young Robeson's mother, Eslanda, said her son and Miss Greenberg had been "in love for years." They met as college freshmen, she said.

"We are awfully glad to get a daughter," she added, describing her son as an only child. She called Miss Greenberg "a darling."

BASEBALL

- WESTERN INTERNATIONAL
At Salem 4, Victoria 1
At Yakima 10, Vancouver 4
At Wenatchee 7, Tacoma 7
At Spokane 6, Bremerton 7
- COAST LEAGUE
At Portland 6, Los Angeles 1
At Cincinnati 7, Boston 2
At Pittsburgh 6, New York 4
At St. Louis 6, Philadelphia 6
- NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Chicago 1, Brooklyn 2
At Cincinnati 7, Boston 2
At Pittsburgh 6, New York 4
At St. Louis 6, Philadelphia 6
- AMERICAN LEAGUE
At New York 4, Cleveland 10
At Boston 4-10, Chicago 3-5
At Washington (metro train)
At Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 9

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

The difficulty of rate regulation in a competitive economy shows up in the announcement of Standard Oil company of California of its intention to construct a pipeline to transport petroleum products from its new refinery in Salt Lake City to Spokane. The refinery is new, drawing on petroleum produced in the Rangely field of western Colorado.

In an effort to handle the transport of the refinery's products to the interior northwest the Union Pacific railroad filed a new rate schedule some two years ago which cut the prevailing tariff drastically for movement in train lots.

Barge lines operating on the Columbia protested the low rates. They claimed if the rates stood they would lose the business of hauling gasoline and oil up the Columbia for interior distribution.

After many months the interstate commerce commission set aside the UP rate schedule whereupon the railroad filed a new schedule designed to meet the commission's objections and still attract the business. Barge lines again protested; the commission suspended the rates until next December 31st, a year after the filing. The oil company, asserting it can't wait any longer on the railroad and the interstate commerce commission says now it will go ahead and construct the pipeline. If this happens the railroads will lose the business and the barge lines will suffer from pipeline competition.

The problem becomes more complicated because the barges have carried inland empire wheat downriver to Portland, giving them a haul.

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Angry Potomac Threat to Town

CUMBERLAND, Md., June 17 (AP)—A rain-swollen southern branch of the Potomac river was reported tonight to have overflowed its bank and isolated Petersburg, W.Va.

Telephone operators said regular lines to the city had been cut off and the Red Cross had been asked to prepare "assistance" for 300 to 400 families.

No loss of life was reported. "The Red Cross official said the flood was 'pretty bad' at Romney, W.Va.

Red Premier of Bulgaria Reported Near Death

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, June 17 (AP)—George Dimitrov, communist premier of Bulgaria, is so ill that Czech newspapers have been told to prepare his death notices, a Czech newsman said today. The newsman said, "The news (of his death) is expected to be announced within two or three days."

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"She's being investigated—she's a Rhode Island Red, you know."

Picker Shortage Slows Local Cherry Harvest

An appeal for about 1,000 week-end cherry harvesters went out Friday from the Salem office of the state employment service.

"A definite shortage of workers is slowing down the harvest," said Manager William Baillie. "The good weather has brought the fruit around to a peak and growers are anxious to get the crop harvested while time and weather permit."

The crop is good, said Baillie, and the pay is 2 1/2 cents per pound. Baillie said reports have reached him of some youths earning as high as \$9 per day in several orchards.

The employment office will remain open Saturday morning to noon and Sunday morning to about 8:30 o'clock to help load workers onto growers' trucks. The trucks will be at the office at about 6 a. m. on both mornings.

Those wishing to drive out to nearby orchards for weekend picking may call the office for information Saturday or Sunday mornings.

Threat of Milk Truck Drivers Strike Averted

PORTLAND, June 17 (AP)—The state board of conciliation tonight reported a threatened strike of 300 AFL milk truck drivers had been averted in northern Oregon and southwestern Washington.

Stewart Weiss, Sweet Home board member, said the dispute was settled late tonight with granting of a 10-cent hourly wage increase and a 40-hour week for the drivers. The increase is retroactive to May 15. Weiss said an additional 5-cent increase would be granted October 1.

He said it was the first time in 10 years that the state board had been called into a labor dispute.

Milk distributors involved in the dispute included the Dairy Co-operative association, covering Salem, and Curly's Dairy, Salem.

Snow Falls At Meacham

PORTLAND, June 17 (AP)—The sun shone warmly in western Oregon today, but what happened east of the Cascades?

The mercury skidded to 29 degrees in Bend before dawn. It dropped to 32 at La Grande, 35 at Burns, 37 at Lakeview, and 38 at Klamath Falls.

And for an even better contrast: It snowed yesterday at Meacham.

Fire Destroys 3-Room Home In Keizer Area

KEIZER, June 17 (Special)—Fire of undetermined origin completely destroyed the three-room home and possessions of the E. Ellis Elwood family, box 556 Cummings lane, Keizer district, Friday night.

None of the family was at home when the fire was discovered by neighbors about 9:15 p. m. Only a washing machine was saved in a loss which a relative, Mrs. Elden Elwood, said would be "at least \$6,000." She said there was no insurance.

The fire already was going through the roof when 18 members of the Keizer volunteer fire department arrived, according to Fire Chief Harold W. Snook. It apparently started in or around the living room, he said. A full investigation will be conducted Saturday.

The house had been occupied this month by Elwood, a logger, and two sons, Claire, 18, and Gordon 13. Mrs. Elwood is visiting in Klamath Falls.

Ten prune trees also were destroyed or damaged in the fire. Observers said the trees nearly obscured the house from view and probably resulted in the fire getting a roaring start before it was noticed.

Cherry Fete Buttons on Sale

Sale of Salem Cherry Festival buttons will begin this morning in local stores and on downtown streets.

The buttons will admit wearers to festival night shows at the fairgrounds. Price is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

Street booths will be set up in front of the J. C. Penney store and Bishop's clothing store, both on North Liberty street. Next a single large booth will sell buttons on High street.

Mrs. Virginia Cline and Mrs. Glenn McCormick are chairmen of the button sales.

Salem-Newport Bus Schedule Starts Again

Pacific Coast bus lines, operating a direct service between Salem, coastal points and Newport, began operations again Friday morning on a permanent basis.

John Ratzlaff of Albany, owner of the lines, had discontinued operations after several runs late last month. The new route was recently approved by the state public utilities commission. The line operates in Salem from the Continental Pacific Trailways depot, 520 N. High st. Two schedules are operated daily except Sundays and holidays. A new bus and equipment is on the run, which requires 2 1/2 hours for one way.

The bus will leave Salem at 7 a. m. and again at 4 p. m. It leaves Newport at 9:45 a. m. and 6:40 p. m. This schedule is in effect daily except on Sundays and holidays when the 4 p. m. departure from Salem and the 9:45 a. m. bus from Newport are to be eliminated. The schedules are based on daylight saving time.

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Silverton Road Job Set Aside; Group Asks Meters Finance Parking Lots

Mayer R. L. Elfstrom's off-street parking committee will recommend that parking meter revenue rather than an occupational tax be used to finance city-operated parking lots.

Ralph C. Nohlgren of the committee told Friday's noon luncheon of the Retail Credit association, "If parking meter revenue can be diverted to finance the lots, then we're behind it."

City ordinances assign the meter revenue to traffic and police work, which could be interpreted to include lots, he said.

The proposed occupational tax has been vigorously opposed by suburban business representatives who, Nohlgren said, have given us some constructive substitute measures, including plans to secure greater use of present parking spaces. We intend to use these plans.

"But whatever measures of financing are used," Nohlgren said, "Salem should secure lots in the near future while they are still available."

"Lots are available for lease now to park 800-1000 cars. They may be gone in 10 or 15 years when it is estimated Salem's trade zone will be doubled and the parking problem will be a genuine headache," he said.

"By long range planning today we may avoid the problems that confronts dozens of other cities that 20 years ago failed to plan for the future and now find those problems unsolvable," Nohlgren concluded.

Greyhound Bus Strike Averted

SEATTLE, June 18 (Saturday)—(AP)—A threatened bus strike on the Northwest Greyhound lines was averted in last-minute negotiations tonight, but 50 minutes before a scheduled walkout on North Coast Greyhound lines there still was no agreement early today.

The walkout would affect cities north of Portland, Ore.

THE WEATHER

Salem	78	41	.00
Portland	74	36	.00
Chicago	80	63	trace
San Francisco	80	47	trace
New York	83	51	trace
Willamette river	8	71	trace

FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly clear today, tonight and tomorrow with high today near 81 and low tonight near 45. Agriculture outlook: Conditions favorable for farm activities today and tomorrow except those hindered by moderate winds.

SALEM PRECIPITATION (Sept. 1 to June 18)

This Year	Last Year	Normal
40.77	45.21	36.44

Oregon Grange Asks Purge of 22 Legislators

COOS BAY, June 17 (AP)—The Oregon State Grange departed from its traditional political custom today and voted to seek the defeat of 22 members of the last state legislature.

The grange, which never before has taken a definite stand on individual politicians, adopted the purge plan because of the bill to change Oregon's initiative and referendum system.

The 22 men whom the Grange will try to defeat are those who voted for the measure, which did not pass. It would have enabled the legislature to fix the number of signatures necessary to place an initiative on the ballot.

The convention voted half-approval of the Brannan farm price support plan. The plan was called "deserving of our study and consideration," but not actually endorsed.

Another resolution advocated expansion of Eastern Oregon college of Education at La Grande into a full university. Oregon State college and its extension service were asked to concentrate on educational and research work, withdrawing from the field of farm program administration.

The 22 legislators on the purge were listed as: Reps. David C. Baum, Union; Sprague Carter, Umatilla; Raymond C. Coulter, Josephine; Ben Day, Jackson; Joseph M. Dyer, Clatsop; Dean B. Erwin, Wallowa; Giles French, Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman and Wheeler; Edward A. Geary, Klamath; Robert C. Gile, Douglas; Warren Gill, Linn; Earl H. Hill, Lane; John P. Hounsell, Hood River; E. W. Kimberling, Grant and Harney; C. L. Lieualien, Umatilla; Charles K. McColloch, Baker; Ralph T. Moore, Coos; William B. Morse, Crook and Jefferson; Henry E. Peterson, Gilliam, Morrow, Sherman and Wheeler; John I. Sell, Wasco; Henry Semon, Klamath; J. F. Short, Deschutes and Lake; Vernon Wilson, Malheur. All are republicans, except Semon.

NO FOURTH ROUND RAISE

DALLAS, June 17 (AP)—A. E. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, said here today that his union will not ask a wage increase this year.

Russ Frown On Ana Pauker

ZURICH, Switzerland, June 17 (AP)—Romania's woman foreign minister, Ana Pauker, today was reported under fire from Moscow for depositing party funds in foreign banks without telling the Cominform.

The Swiss weekly newspaper Die Weltwoche said her fall from among the Kremlin's favorites became known after the arrest of a Romanian charged with spying on bank deals in Switzerland. The paper is independent and widely circulated in this country.

Some of the Romanian Communist funds handled by Mrs. Pauker were reported found in Swiss banks which traditionally handle great amounts of foreign exchange in wartime and peace.

WARSHIPS TO TAKE TRIP

LONDON, June 17 (AP)—The U.S. navy announced today it will send three of the newest American warships on visits next month to Norway and Denmark.