



FAIRFIELD, Calif., June 28—Ann, 6-year-old Chinese orphan brought to the U.S. by ex-GI Frank Chisari who found the infant badly wounded near Kunming during the war and nursed her back to health, arrived here today in the arms of Joe Martin of the New York Daily News. Flight Nurse Lt. Ethel Madden accompanied the child on the flight from Formosa. (AP Wirephoto to the Statesman).

Special Merger Vote Appears Certainty

Special election on a proposal to merge West Salem and Salem on July 26 appeared as a near certainty Tuesday night.

West Salem Mayor Walter Musgrave said he would ask the West Salem city council on July 6 to set the election date for later that month.

Musgrave revealed that petitions asking the council to set a special election date are being circulated. "We need only 34 names of registered voters (5 per cent of those voting in the last general election) to place the measure on the ballot. We already have about 85."

"We do not anticipate any opposition to the merger proposal," said the mayor. If the merger question carries in West Salem then a similar procedure of petition and election would have to be carried out in Salem proper.

The special election next month, if set, will mark the first time the merger question has gone to vote of the people. A petition to the West Salem council asking for such an election in 1947 was refused by the council on the grounds that the two cities did not have a common boundary.

This view was upheld in the courts. The last state legislature, however, paved the way for consolidation by providing that cities lying within 1,500 feet of each other across a river have a common boundary.

Lebanon Mill Cuts To Five-Day Week

LEBANON, June 28—(Special)—The Crown Zellerbach paper mill at Lebanon will operate on a 5-day-a-week basis starting July 1, it was announced today by George Gallaway, resident manager.

The mill recently went to a six-day schedule after operating since 1941 on a full-week basis. The two days lopped off are Saturday and Sunday.

The Mitchell bill now under debate contemplates forming a federal corporation with broad powers, some clearly defined and others indefinite, over the Pacific northwest. The reason for making it a corporation is to give it greater flexibility, allow it more freedom of action. It is nonetheless an official entity, one not covered in the constitution. The practical effect is to have a suspended, largely independent organization administering affairs vital to the economic life of the region.

It is true that the president appoints the three directors and would have power of removing them. The administration would look to congress for appropriations, though it could use its surplus revenues for investment without specific appropriation, if the overall program has been approved by congress. The CVA would be free of the usual civil service controls. Thus both in its corporate form and in its detachment it would function pretty much as an independent unit, not responsible to the states and by force of current realities not under very close surveillance by the executive or the congress.

It was this divergence from our traditional forms of administration which prompted Secretary Ickes to testify in a hearing on a Missouri Valley authority that it substantially changed our government. "We have known it for 150 years." That is the important political issue involved.

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BASEBALL

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL
At 5:15m 7-7, Spokane 14-13
At Bremerton 1, Vancouver 7
At Yakima 5, Wenatchee 7
At Tacoma-Victoria, rain.

COAST LEAGUE
At Portland 1, Sacramento 9
At Seattle 3, San Diego 1
At Hollywood 3, Oakland 4
At Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 5

AMERICAN LEAGUE
At Boston 4, New York 3
At Cleveland 4, Detroit 2
At Washington 1, Philadelphia 6
At Chicago 6, St. Louis 7 (12 inn.)

NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Philadelphia 3, Brooklyn 5
At St. Louis 5, Chicago 9
At Pittsburgh-Cincinnati, rain.

Retail Milk Prices to Drop Cent in Salem Friday

Follows Order for Portland

By Lillie L. Madsen
Farm Editor, The Statesman

Retail price of milk in Salem will drop one cent a quart Friday morning, Ivan Osterman, office manager at Curley's Dairy, and Test Jenny of the Dairy cooperative said Tuesday.

This follows Portland's one cent per quart reduction effective July 1 by order of E. L. Peterson, director, Oregon state department of agriculture.

The order as such does not affect Salem, as it covers only Portland. But since local distributors work through a wide territory, Salem will follow suit at once.

Retail at 19 1/2 Cents
Milk under the new order will retail in Salem at 19 1/2 cents a quart as compared with the 20 1/2 cent current price. Skim milk at 14 cents a quart remains the same. Producers will receive \$1.90 per hundredweight plus 90 cents per pound butterfat compared with the current price of \$1.58 per hundredweight plus \$1.16 per pound butterfat.

For the first time in six years both allotted and delivered quotas are in excess of sales. If producers can maintain their deliveries of allotted quota, Portland consumers will have Grade A milk from Oregon, Peterson said Tuesday.

Recognizes Costs
The new order recognizes that distributors have incurred increased costs since July 1, 1948, the date of the last order. Increases have been principally in the cost of labor because dairy plant workers were granted labor increases in September, 1948, and May, 1949.

The order decreases the margin between the price of milk at wholesale and at retail from 2 cents to 1 1/2 cents per quart.

This is Director Peterson's last price order affecting the Portland milk market as administrator of the Oregon milk control act. The 1949 legislature provided for the appointment of a special administrator to handle the milk control.

He is to be appointed by the state board of agriculture and his position will become effective July 16. **Demands Attention**

In closing his administration of the milk control, Peterson said that the administration is both interesting and challenging and at times very trying.

"I have enjoyed the work but feel that milk control administration properly demands the full-time and constant attention of whoever is responsible for its administration," he said.

'Brave' Woman Clubs Robber, Loses Aplomb

PORTLAND, June 28—(AP)—A woman tavern keeper, with great aplomb, bandied words with a would-be robber, clubbed him when she got the chance, and called police after he fired a pistol at her here early today.

Then Mrs. Howe called police. When they arrived, she said she thought the man was firing blanks because she wasn't hit. The police found a hole in her skirt and a spent slug in a beer keg. That's when they took her to the hospital with hysterics.

In the meantime, prowl car officers picked up Brinton Wallace McNeil, 29, a transient, for questioning in the case. He was booked on charges of attempted assault and robbery while armed, assault with intent to kill and carrying a concealed weapon.

NOMINATION APPROVED
WASHINGTON, June 28—(AP)—Without opposition, the nomination of Mrs. Perla Mesta to be United States minister to Luxembourg was approved by the senate foreign relations committee today.

Original Covered Wagon to Trek Down Salem Streets at Festival

A covered wagon used by pioneers of the westward migration will trek through Salem streets Friday morning during the Cheryland festival parade.

The parade will be one of the features of the three-day festival which opens in Salem Thursday and which will offer varied entertainment events.

The original covered wagon is now being trucked north from San Francisco, after being flown there from Independence, Mo., in connection with the current savings bond drive of the U. S. treasury department. Leo Henderson heads a festival committee which will place the wagon on display in front of the Grand theatre after the parade.

Sidney L. Stevens, festival chairman, said Tuesday that sale of festival buttons is progressing throughout the area and sale of reserved seats for festival shows is bigger than expected. Buttons admit wearers to all festival shows at the state fairgrounds—a coronation and dance program Thursday night, horse show Friday night and drill team contest Saturday night.

Salem Cherrians and other participants in the Thursday show will rehearse at the fairgrounds tonight. They are to use the 18th street entrance.

Truman's Labor Bill Handed Stinging Defeat

House States Final Action On Bill Today

WASHINGTON, June 28—(AP)—The race issue was injected into the housing bill battle today, but the house promptly defeated an amendment that would have prevented segregation in publicly-owned housing projects. The vote was 168 to 130.

With this major hurdle cleared, the house quit postponing a final vote until tomorrow.

The race amendment, offered by Rep. Fulton (R-Pa) would have permitted white and negro tenants to occupy the same public housing buildings.

Earlier, a tie vote narrowly saved Mr. Truman's housing bill from a "home rule" amendment that would have barred publicly-owned housing in any city unless its voters first approved it.

The administration forces then were defeated on two lesser amendments, but won tentative approval of the slum-clearance section of the multi-billion dollar measure.

On the "home rule" referendum amendment, Rep. Boggs (D-La), presiding at the time, announced the vote as 132 to 132. He quickly added:

"The chair votes no, and the amendment is defeated." (A tie vote would have killed the amendment without Boggs' vote.)

Republicans were virtually solid in their support of the Fulton amendment, but were aided by only a scattering of democrats.

Administration forces, after dominating the legislation from the start, suffered two minor setbacks during the day.

The house approved 199 to 41, over their objections an amendment giving first priority to occupancy of publicly-owned housing to persons removed from their homes by slum clearance projects.

The other defeat came on an amendment to require hearings by the justice department before they acquire land for slum clearance projects. This was adopted 167 to 164.

Jury to Start Deliberation In Coplon Case

WASHINGTON, June 28—(AP)—Prosecutor John M. Kelley, jr. denounced Judith Coplon at the end of her espionage trial today as a "clever spy" for Russia and said Moscow chose her because "she hated the United States."

"Don't think the Russian espionage agents picked Judith Coplon hastily," Kelley told the jury in his closing argument.

For the defense, Attorney Archibald Palmer contended that the government's case against Miss Coplon is a "frame-up" engineered by the justice department to escape criticism from congress.

The jury of eight men and four women—six negroes, six whites—heard the final arguments by each side before beginning their deliberations on a verdict that could set Miss Coplon free or confine her in prison for as long as 13 years.

Tomorrow morning Judge Reeves will deliver his instructions on points of law. Then, about midday, the case is expected to go to the jury after nine and half weeks of sensation-packed testimony.

Calls Start at 6:30; Queries Total 89 by 4

A two-line classified for-rent ad kept the telephone ringing in one home. "Calls started at 6:30 a.m.," said the advertiser. The house was rented on the second call—but 87 more came in. Here was the ad:

2 BDRM., unfurn. mod. home. \$60. Ph. _____

This advertiser's experience proves the pulling power of Statesman classified. You can share it too, at small cost.

Dial 2-244— and ask for Classified.

Oregon Statesman

Appointed



Marion County Circuit Judge E. M. Page who succeeds the late Percy R. Kelly as associate justice of the state supreme court.

Circuit Judge Page Named To High Court

Marion County Circuit Judge E. M. Page of Salem was appointed associate justice of the state supreme court Tuesday and reported he would probably accept his new duties early next week.

Judge Page was appointed by Gov. Douglas McKay to succeed the late Percy R. Kelly, who died recently. Gov. McKay indicated he would fill the circuit court vacancy caused by Judge Page's elevation within a few days.

The names of Marion County District Judge Joseph Felton and that of Wallace Carson, both Salem attorneys, have been mentioned in connection with the latter position.

Judge Page, who will be the first Marion county man to serve on the state high court since 1921, is on his annual vacation. He said Tuesday he will clear the circuit court docket by early next week.

"I feel deeply honored in having been appointed to the supreme court," said Judge Page. "I have a lot to learn of my new duties. I am going to depend on the advice of other court members until I have learned the mechanics of my new position."

The new justice was appointed circuit judge here in 1941 by former Gov. Charles A. Sprague. (Additional details on page 2)

Soviets Seize Convoy, Start New Squabble

BERLIN, June 28—(AP)—Russia touched off a new east-west squabble today by seizing a truck convoy as it approached Berlin from western Germany. The vehicles carried vital power plant machinery for west Berlin.

U. S. and British authorities quickly protested directly to Soviet military government authorities. They said the action was in direct violation of the four-power blockade-lifting agreement.

The new incident occurred as the 38-day rail strike ended without any trains actually being moved.

It also coincided with the reopening of four-power talks—the first in 15 months—seeking to work out a "live and let live" policy for the partitioned reich.

U. S. officials announced the truck convoy incident and said they had joined the British in a protest. An American statement said:

British and American authorities are negotiating with the Soviets in order to obtain release of the trucks and the machine parts. Until now nothing is known about the location of the trucks. The number of vehicles was not specified.

The convoy was stopped by Russian guards at the Dredlindon check-point on the outskirts of Berlin. They challenged the validity of the cargo's papers.

The cargo was consigned with proper west German papers which, since the blockade was lifted, are supposed to be all that are necessary for clearance to west Berlin.

Reds Accuse Vatican of Plot

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, June 28—(AP)—Communist officials and the press today accused chief officials in the vatican's diplomatic mission here of masterminding alleged subversive activities against the state.

Diplomatic quarters said these direct attacks on the holy see's representation may presage a demand for the recall of the alleged plotters.

The attacks were accompanied by publication of a new batch of orders which sought to break the last link of communication between Archbishop Josef Beran and his bishops with Czechoslovakia's 9,000,000 Roman Catholics and clergy.

Retires



NEW YORK, June 28—U.S. Sen. Robert F. Wagner, 72, resigned from the senate today because of failing health. He had served 22 1/2 years.

Wagner Quits Senate Post; Election Set

NEW YORK, June 28—(AP)—U. S. Sen. Robert F. Wagner, 72, author of the Wagner labor relations act and much other new deal legislation, today resigned from the senate because of failing health.

Wagner, a democrat, had served in the senate 22 1/2 years. The resignation is effective immediately.

His announcement, long expected, makes necessary a special election next Nov. 8 to fill out his term expiring Dec. 31, 1950. It will be the only U. S. senate contest in the nation this year.

For the intervening months the seat can be filled by a republican by appointment of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

The governor himself, titular head of his party and twice defeated as its presidential nominee, has figured in speculation about the senate post.

The resignation poses problems for both major parties. It is estimated the state-wide campaign will cost each at least \$250,000.

Dewey is expected to name as Wagner's successor the man chosen by GOP leaders to make the race in the special election.

Mentioned among the republican hopefuls have been William J. Donovan, wartime head of the office of strategic services; Lt. Gov. Joe R. Hanley, Secretary of State Thomas J. Curran and Congressman Frederic R. Coudert.

Taft-Backed Proviso Added To Measure

WASHINGTON, June 28—(AP)—In a stinging defeat for President Truman, the senate today approved a republican-written plan for dealing with national emergency strikes. It provides for both Taft-Hartley injunctions and for plant seizure by the government.

The plan was adopted by a vote of 50 to 40, and was thus made a part of the administration's bill to replace the Taft-Hartley act with a new labor law. President Truman campaigned for repeal.

Adoption of the amendment at a tumultuous senate session was an important victory for Senator Taft (R-Ohio) and others who are battling to keep the basic provisions of the present law.

After the vote, Senator Lucas of Illinois, the democratic leader, told the senate:

"It doesn't much matter what happens to the labor bill in view of what happened here today."

Later, however, Lucas told a reporter he did not mean to give the impression that "all is lost."

Morse Flays Action
Senator Morse (R-Ore), who has assumed a leading role in labor debates, said however that today's action made the bill "unworkable and so anti-labor" that "the sooner we get rid of it and take the whole issue to the polls in 1950, the better." He said any further attempt to perfect the bill would be a waste of time.

The national emergency amendment was sponsored by Taft and Senators Donnell (R-Mo) and Smith (R-NJ). The senate approved it after first battling down three other plans for handling strikes imperiling the national health or safety.

Below galleries crowded with spectators, the senate did these things in this order:

1. Defeated, 54 to 37, an amendment to preserve the Taft-Hartley emergency injunction provision.

2. Rejected, 46 to 44, an amendment to strike the injunction provision from Taft's injunction-plus-seizure plan.

3. Turned down, 51 to 40, a proposal to have congress deal with national emergency strikes on a case-by-case basis.

4. Approved, 50 to 40, the Taft-Donnell-Smith plan for keeping the Taft-Hartley injunction feature and adding a provision for government seizure of struck plants for up to 60 days.

Klan Unmasked By Action of Alabama House

MONTGOMERY, Ala., June 28—(AP)—Alabama ripped the mask of the Ku Klux Klan and kindred organizations today in a move to halt a wave of hooded terrorism. Legislation to prohibit the wearing of masks in public was signed into law by Gov. James E. Folsom within minutes after it passed the house of representatives by an 84-4 vote.

It was the second blow aimed at the Klan during the day. Attorney General Albert A. Carmichael a few hours earlier urged members to revoke the Klan charter. The anti-masking bill makes it a misdemeanor to wear a mask of similar disguise in public, except on certain festive occasions.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Well, the old-fashioned hill is good enough for me."

Game Officers Find Home for Week-Old Fawn



Having fun with a fawn are state police officers Chester Boyle, Salem route 8, left, and Sgt. Charles Weems, 443 N. 18th st., who are assigned to game enforcement in the Salem area. The fawn was found over the week end by John Garner, Salem route 7, near Fedee. State police said that often persons find the tiny creatures and think they are abandoned when actually their mothers will be close by and since it is against the law for persons to keep wild animals they must be turned in. Officers took the seven to ten day old black tail buck fawn to the state game raising station north of Corvallis. (Statesman photo.)