

# Lilienthal Resigns As Atomic Energy Commission Chief

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23—(AP)—David E. Lilienthal, the foe of extreme secrecy on the atom, today resigned as chairman and member of the atomic energy commission—partly, he said, in order to speak out "with a greater latitude."

President Truman accepted the resignation, effective December 31, with the "utmost regret." He named no successor for the commission.

In congress, starting point of most of the Lilienthal battles that have splashed controversy over the front pages, there was regret at his departure and praise for his career, but it was not unanimous. Now 50, Lilienthal sprang into the public eye as chairman of the Tennessee Valley Authority. On Oct. 23, 1946, he was appointed chairman of the atomic energy commission. He stayed three action-packed years, climaxed by last summer's investigation of a charge of "incredible mishandling" in AEC.

A majority of the senate-house atomic committee cleared the agency of this accusation, made by Sen. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa). Questioned tonight on the possibility of his entering law or politics, Lilienthal told a reporter: "I don't know what I am going to do. There's only one time when a fellow can quit this kind of job—and that's when it is going well." "This is that kind of time," he added.

DES MOINES, Nov. 23—(AP)—Senator B. B. Hickenlooper (R-Iowa) sharp critic of Chairman David Lilienthal and the atomic energy commission, said today on being informed of Lilienthal's resignation: "I look forward to a new stimulation in our atomic program."

## Repairable Toys Needed By Local Club

An appeal for repairable toys went out Wednesday from the Salem Exchange club which launched its annual campaign to repair toys and distribute them to needy families at Christmas time.

Five depots were used toys may be dropped off by the public were announced Wednesday at the club's meeting. They include Marion Motors, 333 Center st.; Interstate Tractor company, 3055 Silverton rd.; Home Fuel Oil company, 1710 N. Commercial st.; Borkman Lumber company, 2460 State st., and the A. A. Siewert warehouse, 1250 Howard st.

Members of the Exchange club will repair and repaint the toys at the Siewert warehouse. Dr. Lewis P. Campbell is in charge of the program this year, which is the club's third annual campaign.

## Central Oregon Free of Rats, Survey Shows

REDMOND, Nov. 23—(AP)—Central Oregon has an unusual claim to fame. It hasn't any rats. So reported Milton H. Beuhler jr., rodent control expert of the U.S. public health service, after a survey here. He expected to find at least 10 rats per person—a mild infestation.

The nearest he could find to any sign of a rat was a report that once a rat arrived here in a carload of feed and was killed. Beuhler said most areas with the climate and geographic situation would have plenty of rats. And the absence of them, he figured, was worth nearly \$400,000 a year in saved merchandise, less disease, and lack of rat damage.

He complimented the area on its ratlessness, and advised residents to keep an eye out for any intruding animals. "You could afford to spend a lot more than \$500 a piece to kill just one pair," he said. "You'd be justified in arming your whole chamber of commerce with clubs and starting a hunt until you find them."

He blamed rats not only for chewing up furniture and damaging merchandise, but also for carrying such ailments as bubonic plague, diarrhea and a form of jaundice called Weil's disease.

## Police, Students Battle At Panama University

PANAMA, Nov. 23—(AP)—A gun battle between students and national police flared tonight at National university and first reports said two policemen and two civilians were wounded.

It was the second successive night of violence in Panama, where two men have laid claim to the presidency.

## Blind Albany Farmer Killed on Road—Like Father 11 Years Ago

ALBANY, Nov. 23—(AP)—A blind Albany farmer was killed Wednesday night when two cars struck him as he crossed the road to milk his cows.

Silvy Oscar Goodman, 64, died on the same spot where his father, also blind, perished when hit by a motorist 11 years ago.

The Goodman home and barnyard, three miles east of Albany, is separated by U. S. highway 20. Deputy Coroner Walter Cropp said Goodman was first struck by a car driven by Mrs. Margaret O. Blatchley, Lebanon, who was headed east.

Cropp said she told him she was headed east, that she had not seen Goodman, but had stopped and tried in vain to flag the other car.

William Marion Brown, Albany, was the driver of the west-bound car which also ran over Goodman's body, the coroner said. No charges were filed.

Charles W. Goodman, father of the totally blind victim, was killed Jan. 28, 1938 under virtually identical circumstances.

Surviving are the widow and several children. Services will be announced later by Ekman's mortuary.

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## Storm Dumps 1.57 Inches of Rain on Salem

### 'Pilgrims', 'Indians' Celebrate Thanksgiving at Garfield School



Garfield school students captured the spirit of the first Thanksgiving in the scene above depicting the Pilgrims at Plymouth inviting the Indians to their week-long Thanksgiving festival. Feasting and ceremonies dedicated to piety and peace marked the first Thanksgiving. Fifth graders who participated and produced the play from which the scene is taken included Betty Aston, Donald Wright, Margaret Bolt, Donald Walton, Jerry Bray, Geraldine Browning, Jerry Brunelle, Patty Evans, Bob Burnside, Earl Eyre, Doris Hein, Beth Hoffman, Ruth Brockway, Floyd Hughes, Larry Kutner, Helen Manke, Edgar Martin, Dick Mason, Teddy Medford, Craig Phillips, Bonnie Russon, Rex Sims and Marjorie Simila. Instructor is Mrs. Eleanor Pierson. (Statesman photo.)

## Rainfall Relieves 5-Month Drought In Central Oregon

More than an inch and a half of rain washed across Salem Wednesday setting the city drainage pumps to work for the first time this season.

The same storm which carried rainfall across the Cascades into central and eastern Oregon, was hailed as a "million dollar storm" in those areas, where winter wheat was in need of moisture.

The weatherman promised some relief from the heavy rains in the Salem area today with scattered showers and some sunshine on the Thanksgiving day menu. Wednesday saw 1.57 inches of rain fall on Salem.

The city pump was in operation for three hours at Myrtle and Columbia streets Wednesday afternoon to divert flow from sanitary to storm sewers.

City officials here announced Wednesday that a city-wide campaign to clean sewer pipes was under way using a recently-purchased machine.

Patrol crews have started a 24-hour vigil against flooded areas in the city, and 10 pumps are available when needed this season.

The storm, which had drenched coastal Newport earlier with 1.20 inches of rain, brought .49 of an .57 to La Grande, and .55 to Redinch to Pendleton, .31 to Baker, Monday.

Thanksgiving Present It was the perfect Thanksgiving day present to farmers who had sown their winter wheat, and had waited gloomily for it to struggle up through the parched soil. It was equally welcome to farmers who haven't planted. They will begin sowing as soon as the weather clears.

The rainfall was the first substantial one in central Oregon in five months. Prineville got .36 of an inch—and it's only had 3.5 inches all year long.

Despite the rain, western Oregon remained blanketed in fog.

## Washington School Plans Open House

Open house at the new Washington school will be Thursday, December 1, and will start at 7:30 p.m., school authorities announced Wednesday.

The big, new structure on Lansing avenue in the Capitol district was occupied by students but rejected schoolmen felt it was not ready for a public debut during American Education week, November 6-12, when open house was staged at most other Salem public schools.

A meeting of the Washington school Mothers club, originally scheduled for the same date, has been cancelled.

## Detroit Legion To Operate Job Service

DETROIT, Nov. 23—This city now has its own employment service.

Detroit post 141, American Legion, announced today it will operate a service for the unemployed of this area. The post will send cards to employers, notifying them of the service. Job seekers may obtain information on available employment by telephoning the post.

The post is also sponsoring a move to collect Christmas money for "the Yanks that gave." Containers for donations have been placed in local business houses.

## First Aid Car Hospitalized

Salem's shiny, red ambulance was "hospitalized" for repairs Wednesday, but first aid men can still rush to the scene if junior falls and cracks his noggin.

City ambulance attendants, who work as members of the fire department, related Wednesday that Police Chief Clyde A. Warren had volunteered his radio-equipped police car on learning that the first aid car had broken down.

The first aid car is expected to be ready Monday after new gears have been installed in the differential.

## Chinese Reds Order Ward to Leave Country

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23—(AP)—American Consul General Angus Ward, held for a month in a communist jail at Mukden, China, has been released and ordered to leave the country, the state department announced today.

Four consulate employees jailed with Ward also were freed. A communist "People's court" convicted them along with Ward but decreed that they be deported.

The state department, which has indignantly denounced the treatment of the American official as "barbaric," immediately relayed instructions to Ward to get out of Mukden and bring his entire staff with him—"forthwith."

This latest action in the sensational case which has attracted world attention came with lightning speed after the 56-year-old diplomat himself reported that his four weeks imprisonment had ended in a communist conviction and deportation order.

He added that he and the four consulate employees arrested, held, convicted and ordered deported along with him were able to be "up and about."

## Russia Denies Recognition To Nationalists

NEW YORK, Nov. 23—(AP)—Russia called the Chinese Nationalist delegation a bunch of pygmies today and said Moscow no longer recognizes their right to represent China in the United Nations.

Andre Y. Vishinsky, Prime Minister Stalin's top diplomat, told the 59-nation general assembly of the Nationalists here couldn't represent China even if they wanted to because—he said—350,000,000 of China's 450,000,000 people have recognized the communist regime headed by Mao Tze-tung in Peking.

Chieh-Hou Kan, personal advisor to Li Tsung-jen, acting president of Nationalist China who now is in British Hong Kong, angrily replied that Russia had perpetrated serious international crimes in China.

## Reasons for Observing Thanksgiving Weren't Always So Numerous

One Oregon Governor Couldn't Find Anything for Which to Be Thankful

By Conrad G. Prange Staff Writer, The Statesman

Willamette valley Thanksgiving day observances haven't always included turkey and football. A preview of early Oregon Thanksgiving indicates that pioneer families often had to scratch to find something to be thankful for. They not only didn't have the bounteous turkey feasts, which developed in later years, but they felt thankful if they had a table to put their feet under.

Oregon officially began to observe a day of Thanksgiving in 1852. On November 3 of that year Territorial Governor John P. Gaines issued the first proclamation.

Gov. John Whittaker was prodded into issuing a Thanksgiving day proclamation in 1859 (the year Oregon became a state) by a group of women known as "The 1776 Ladies" who said, in part, that times were troublesome, but "there is enough to be thankful for if you give us the chance."

Gov. Whittaker's 1859 proclamation was extremely short, simply stating that Thursday, Dec. 29, 1859, be "kept as a day for public thanksgiving."

Some newspapers of the day criticized the governor because he failed to mention the deity or whom thanks were owed or for what. Another newspaper defended the governor and mentioned an unnamed governor who, on the previous year, issued a proclamation stating "he could not see anything to be thankful for."

By 1873, however, Thanksgiving day was fixed in November. President Abraham Lincoln officially proclaimed Thanksgiving day a holiday in 1863 and set it on the fourth or last Thursday in November.

Gov. Sylvester Pennoyer, an early Oregon democrat and described as "a man of strong convictions" brought out an unusual proclamation in 1893.

## Vote Defeats Lebanon Expansion Proposal

LEBANON, Nov. 23—(AP)—Two square miles of suburbs southwest of Lebanon will not be merged with the city.

In a special election yesterday, the suburban voters defeated a consolidation measure, although Lebanon approved it.

Dorman turned down the request as "an unnecessary expense" and his action was upheld by Gov. Douglas McKay.

## Hooked Safety Belt Saved Boy In Plane Crash

OSLO, Norway, Nov. 23—(AP)—Twelve-year-old Isaac Allal explained today he was the only survivor in the crash of a plane load of refugee children because he was fastening and unfastening his safety belt for fun.

Thirty-four persons were killed in the crash Sunday, including 27 Jewish children from Tunisia, three nurses and four crewmen. When rescuers found the plane yesterday, Isaac was pinned on the ground under his seat, a scratch on the nose his most prominent injury.

"I was only fastening and unfastening the security belt for fun," Isaac told his friend Gabriel Banon today. "The others didn't have their fasteners. When it happened, I didn't have time to become afraid."

Isaac said he was conscious for about five minutes after the crash. He could hear "people crying and whimpering all around me, then everything went black."

Finally he woke up because he was cold and hungry. He couldn't move, much but "I remembered I had some apples tucked away somewhere. I found them and ate them."

For 42 hours, the boy lay with his face pressed against the ground by the seat to which he had strapped himself and thus saved himself from being hurled across the cabin and probably killed.

## Scio-Silverton Bus Run Cut

A change in Pacific Greyhound bus service which eliminates the Scio to Silverton run is now in effect, following an order by the state public utilities commissioner.

Greyhound was authorized to establish a new run from Jefferson on the Pacific highway to Scio, from where the bus will pick up its established loop via Sweet Home back to the highway at Halsey.

Service between Silverton and Salem remains unchanged.

## Christmas Cheer At Liquor Stores Limited to Bottles

Christmas decorations will be barred from Oregon state liquor stores this holiday season.

The liquor control commission asked State Budget Director Harry Dorman to bow to tradition by approving a \$10 Christmas decoration allowance for each state dispensary.

City	Max	Min.	Precip.
Salem	41	30	1.17
Portland	41	44	1.54
San Francisco	48	50	0.00
Chicago	39	29	0.00
New York	40	27	0.00
Willamette river	-2.7 feet.		



DAVID LILIENTHAL Resigns A-Board Position



This is Thanksgiving day, but Americans seem so unhappy the question arises as to whether they are thankful or ought to be.

Here wages are the highest of any country in the world but we have strikes to push them higher. Here profits are still in high altitude compared with prewar returns but manufacturers and businessmen are worried and damning "the government" for taxes, regulation and "socialism."

Here we are producing more foodstuffs and cotton than we can consume, and unhappy because we are shipping away part of the excess, storing (or destroying) another part and applying acreage controls on future crops. Nobody is satisfied: the farmer who grows the stuff; the consumer, who pays current prices, government that staggers in supporting prices.

We have more automobiles than any other country, and then grouse because of traffic jams.

We consume more electricity than any other people and then grumble because of seasonal brownouts, and because investors in private utilities make a profit in the business.

With comfortable homes in greater number than for any other people we can't sleep 'o' nights, and so consume more sleeping pills and sedatives than any other people.

We are just about the healthiest people on earth but we run our doctors ragged, and the politicians want us to go in for (Continued on editorial page 4)

## Fog Blocks C-54 Search

PORTLAND, Nov. 23—(AP)—Several clues appeared today to the possible fate of a military plane, lost with six air force men aboard, but the weather remained too foggy to track down the leads with an air search.

The four-engine C-54 troop transport vanished after its pilot, nearing Portland, radioed for instructions.

Most of the clues seemed to point to the Davis Peak area, near Woodland, Wash. Several loggers and other residents near Davis Peak reported hearing a low-flying plane and an "explosion" about 11 a. m.—13 minutes after the last radio message.

## Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



I just out-smarted the butcher, that's all.

## 3 Times and Out?

Maybe! But Harry Bridges weathered two previous communist hearings. The background of the current case in San Francisco, and some of the little-known details of Bridges' life, will be told in an exclusive story in The Statesman's feature section Sunday.

## Salem Schools' Plane Ends Up In Holy Land

Curiosity paid off for a Salem man this week. But now he says he's more serious than ever.

When B. D. Woodrow, paint and auto supply store proprietor, saw an airplane being crated for overseas shipment at McNary field last year he tucked in his card with a memo for the receiver to drop him a line.

Woodrow disclosed Wednesday that he had received a letter from a man in the Free State of Israel, requesting a maintenance manual, presumably for the airplane, which was not mentioned.

The craft in mention was a P-51 Mustang which was given to Salem schools by the government at the close of World War II. School authorities finally decided to sell the plane and got a \$1,500 bid on the plane (which cost the government about \$50 times that).

But they learned that sale was restricted to another public education agency so had to settle for a \$100 offer from a California school.

Woodrow says the plane went directly overseas from Salem, however, which is the reason he enclosed the card.

Now he says he would like to know where the California school got authority to sell it for export purposes. Meanwhile, he has answered the letter, enclosing some information about the "state of the union" in this country rather than a handbook on the care of aircraft.

Woodrow said he hoped his correspondent would reciprocate with information about the Free State of Israel. He said he was that the first letter had been concerned the airplane had not been mentioned, and the man's name was preceded by a number didn't sound very "free" to him.

## Bridges' Trial Settles Down

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 23—(AP) Calm returned to the Harry Bridges' perjury trial today after yesterday's uproar.

Prosecution and defense attorneys got down to arguing a key legal point. The atmosphere in the federal courtroom again was quiet and dignified. So was Bridges' fiery chief counsel, Vincent Hallinan.

U. S. District Judge George B. Harris yesterday gave Hallinan a severe tongue lashing, cited him for criminal contempt of court and sentenced him to six months. He later relented to let it remain in jail until the trial before going to jail.

Hallinan said that he would appeal the contempt sentence to the United States circuit court of appeals.

Bridges was indicted on charges of perjuring himself in denying in a 1945 naturalization hearing that he was a member of the communist party.