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Backwoods Area Scoured for Clue to Kidnap-Killers

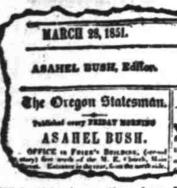


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100th YEAR

Ninety-nine years ago this March 28th the first issue of The Oregon Statesman appeared. Column one carried this masthead.



With this issue therefore The Statesman begins the last year of its First Century of publication. It is thus the second oldest newspaper published on the Pacific coast.

It would be easy to indulge in recounting the history of The Statesman, but I think that may be left to March 28, 1951, when a Centennial Edition will be published.

Suffice it now to say that though history and traditions mean much to a newspaper, it cannot live on them alone. A newspaper must be a living, vital thing, alert to today's events and concerned more with the future than with the past. It is that attitude of mind which

governs the entire working staff of The Statesman. And it is with determination to make The Statesman steadily a better product as a purveyor of news, of opinion, of entertainment features and as a medium of advertising that we enter this Centennial Year.

Sec. Johnson **Disputes Ike's Arms** Appraisal

By Ernest B. Vaccare KEY WEST, Fla., March 27-(AP) -Secretary of Defense Johnson declared today the nation's defenses are adequate despite Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's warning they are below the safety point.

Johnson made the statement after a two and a half hour conesident Truman

Death Due to Fumes

VANCOUVER, Wash., March 27 (P)-The killer of Jo Ann Dewey, the 18-year-old girl snatched from the streets here eight days ago,

probably came from the backwoods country east of Vancouver. That was the conclusion of Dewitt Jones, Clark county prosecuting attorney today, and he ordered police to begin intensive questioning of the scattered resi-

dents in the area. The short, heavy, but not unattractive girl, was seized by two men as she walked along a Vancouver street a week ago Sunday night. A number of residents stood dumbfounded as she was slugged, then dragged, screaming and fighting, into an automobile that sped off before bystanders moved.

Found in River Her body, battered and unclad, was found yesterday in the chill Wind river in an isolated mountainous section 44 miles east of

Her death, however, stemmed not from the beating she obviously had taken. An autopsy disclosed she died of carbon monoxide poisoning.

Chief of Police Harry Diamond said late tonight that the autopsy examinations had revealed the girl was not raped Dr. Howard Richardson, direc-

tor of the Oregon state crime laboratory, said her abductors probably threw her onto the floor or put her into the trunk of the car. Exhaust fumes killed her. The

two men stopped, found her dead, and got rid of the body by tossing it into the river, Richardson said. The key clue came there, said Jones, who is a native of Skamania county where the body was

found. The foot-bridge they tossed her from was little-known. A passerby could not see it. Even

Willamette Seniors Shiver in Chilly Millrace 2-Year Plan taxes.

Willamette university seniors, losers in this year's Freshman glee singing contest, are shown shivering and hooting in the chilly mill race on the campus Monday. The winning juniors are shown enjoying the seniors' antics from the dry bank, as is the tradition for Glee winners. (Statesman photo).

Truman to Keep Loyalty Files Secret; the first five years, more for the attimore Threatens to Sue Senator nine years.

FIREWORKS BAN VOTED BY CITY COUNCIL 5 to 4 Vote Prohibits Sale, Use

Of Fireworks as Safety Move. + Fireworks were banned from Salem by action of City Vote Asked the city council Monday Capitol Zone

On \$14 Million The ban, effective Verdict Stalled

plies to both sale and use the council has allowed sale of fireworks for 10 days

Salem's city council was asked up to and including Independence Monday night to lay before the day. voters this May a \$1,279,000 public Prospects of a noiseless Fourth were bemoaned by several alder-

men, and the new law passed by the bare margin of a 5 to 4 vote. Mayor R. L. Elfstrom, customarstallment of a 10-year master plan ily the last to vote on the roll

> make the bill a law. Joining him in supporting the fireworks ban

come.

at the council meeting last night nival on North Cottage street in city hall. These bills are now between State and Court, June eligible for final council action

adopted by the council and public, the extra tax millage would

Controversial zoning proposals for a service station at the southeast corner of Capitol and Center streets remained controversial Monday night after the city council came face to face with the appropriate zone change legislation. Called upon by Gov. Douglas McKay to defer action on the zone change, Salem aldermen laid the bill on the table pending a fur-

ther report from the statehouse. Oregon's governor said he would investigate further the possibility of state acquisition of the lot for parking purposes.

George A. Rhoten, appearing before the council to seek the change of zone, said the state had known of his intentions for many months, "but they've never given any indication of interest in the property."

Rhoten and S. F. Speerstra, as owners of the 62 by 107 foot vacant corner lot, petitioned for change from I-C capitol zoning to III-x restricted business zoning limiting the use to a service station with architecture specified to

P. Roble were Aldermen Daniel Won Endorsement Their petition won the endorsement of Salem planning and zon-The measure was opposed by ing commission after public hear-Alderman Thomas Armstrong, Al- ings. The council conducted an-

28-July 1, during the state convention of Veterans of Foreign Wars. Davis Amusement Co., Portland, will stage both carnivals for the local sponsors.

buildings.

of fireworks. Heretofore By McKay Plea and use of them for three days

There was a touch of spring in the city council's Monday

night deliberations - a harbinger of street carnivals to Aldermen approved permits for a carnival in Marion square, June 13-17, during the Salem Cherryland festival and a car-

be in harmony with capitol group

April 10.

posal.)

If the entire master plan were

new bridges, wider streets, water and airport improvements, community centers and new fire fighting equipment. special city ballot at the May 19 primary election was introduced

By Robert E. Gangware

City Editor, The Statesman

4: Mrs. Esther Caukin Brun-

auer, a state department official

named by McCarthy, told the sen-

ate committee of being terrified

by death threats since McCarthy

called for a loyalty investigation

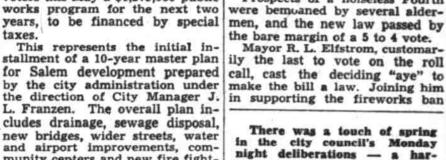
The witness vehemently denied

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of her and her husband.

McCarthy's accusations.

next 15 years and less for another recommendation of Fire Chief W. Here are the proposals Ion the Fry, Howard Maple, Walter Musfirst two years as embodied in the grave and James Nicholson. new council bills: Drainage - A 20-year \$200,000 oond issue proposed, to include a bert H. Gille, Claud Jorgensen and other public hearing recently at \$125,759 northeast Salem drain- David O'Hara. All four said they which nearby property owners age system plus projects in south would favor legislation more dras- generally favor the change and



Legislation to put five separate tems of the master plan on a

in his vacation White House at the naval base here.

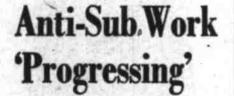
The president himself, in a brief statement, announced that residents and a few others known Philip C. Jessup has been persuaded to remain as ambassador-Jones said. at-large. Jessup has been under fire from Senator McCarthy (R-Wis) in the senator's drive against alleged communists in the state department.

Johnson, queried about Eisenhower's New York speech last week questioning the adequacy of the country's military program, declared:

"I think that the nation's defenses, as worked out in the bud-get, are sufficient unto the needs of the moment."

Eisenhower, as acting chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, worked on the military burget for the year beginning July 1, Johnson pointed

The budget bureau trimmed this figure down to \$13,000,000,000 while Eisenhower was still acting, at Mr. Truman's request, Johnson



WASHINGTON, March 27 -(AP)-A top navy expert said today he has reason to believe that a de-velopment is just ahead which will enable the U. S. "to drive

submarines off the seas." Rear Admiral C. B. Momsen, in-ventor of the famous Momsen lung, used to escape from sunken submarines, said that our most serious problem in anti-submarine warfare revolves about this ques-tion of range of detection. Now he said:

"I have reason to believe that the solution to this problem is just ahead, and if my prediction is correct, submarining will become a mighty dangerous bus-



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veteran sports fishermen of the area were unaware of the span, he said.

That probably limits suspects to President Truman will deny loy- said. alty files of state department emto be familiar with the region,

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Thought of Revenge At first there was a belief the Fla., said tonight. girl had been seized by someone

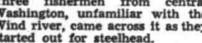
seeking revenge. Police questioned reported after FBI Chief J. Edgar her boy friends and acquaintan-Hoover told congress that disclosces, however, and apparently found no support for the theory. cripple the agency and "smear" Now they apparently believe it innocent persons.

was a chance seizure - - that any It might also jeopardize the girl walking along that street that night would have been seized by lives of confidential FBI informants, besides tipping valuable inthe two men. Bystanders gave po-

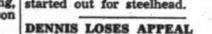
lice partial descriptions of the A week-long hunt followed with Man Jailed for men.

up to 600 volunteers tramping the brushlands around Vancouver for the girl. The discovery of the body though above the change of the state of t body, though, came by chance.

started out for steelhead.



Three fishermen from central PENDLETON, March 27 -(AP)-Washington, unfamiliar with the Wind river, came across it as they had him in jail here today on suspicion of check forgery.



The 29-year-old San Franciscan offered a check to a merchant. It WASHINGTON, March 27-(AP)was signed by a local resident, but The supreme court today upheld the name was mispelled. The the contempt of congress convic-tion of Eugene Dennis, U. S. com-merchant called police.

munist party secretary. It reject-Police Chief Charles Lemon ed his, argument that he did not said Charlson passed three checks have a fair trial because the jury here Saturday before his arrest. included seven government em- The man also is wanted in Spo-ployes. The man also is wanted in Spo-

Who's Running for What in the May Primaries!

(Editor's note: Following is the first of The Statesman's "Political Parade" series which will deal with scores of candidates in the valley area. The series is designed to give candidates an equal chance to tell their stories in their own

ords or in any manner they wish, and to provide readers with an opportunity judge their qualifications. Short of libel, there are no restrictions placed n what candidates may say. Each is limited to 250 words, and there will be

Politics on Parade

he | FBI Director Hoover to have an WASHINGTON, March 27-(AP)-1 formation to foreign spies, agent on hand "so that I may turn Hoover was joined by U.S. Atover to him documents in the ployes to a senate committee torney General J. Howard Mc-Lattimore case which I consider hunting communists and spies, a Grath in an ardent plea against of some importance."

White House source in Key West, opening up the FBI loyalty records to senate communist hunt-The president's decision was ers.

Hoover and McGrath testified at a jam-packed hearing before ure of the FBI's secret files would a senate foreign relations subcommittee which has been investigating charges by Republi-

can Senator McCarthy of Wisconsin that the state department has become infested with communists and fellow travelers.

The testimony of Hoover and McGrath capped a day of rapidfire developments:

Opposes UAL Their refusal to open the records capped a day of rapid-fire developments: 1. Lawyers for Owen Lattimore

Route Change hung the threat of a libel suit Eugene Charlson's poor spelling over McCarthy for calling the noted far east affairs expert a top Russian spy in the state de-WASHINGTON, March 27-(AP)-

partment. A post office department official The attorneys argued that Mcsaid today that mail pay to West Carthy's action in naming Latti-Coast Airlines, Inc., for carrying

more in an off-the-record disairmail from Medford to Portcussion with newsmen left him land, Ore., via Klamath Falls and open to legal action. Bend, would cost the government 2. Lattimore, now in Afghanis-\$283,207 a year. tan on a United Nations mission, He told a civil aeronautics

cabled the Associated Press deboard (CAB) examiner that amclaring that McCarthy's "rantount would be needed for two, ings" are "pure moonshine." daily round-trips along the 326-3. McCarthy late today issued mile route. United Airlines, he said, could a statement hinting he has turned do the job for "much, much less." This would be true, he said, be-

cause of the procedures the gov-The Wisconsin senator said he will present his evidence on the senate floor Wednesday or Thursseeking a renewal of its certifiday. And he sent a note asking

vice. **Hartley Joins** west coast permission to substi-

> Coast's request and its own "show cause" order for a general shakeup in airline operations in the far

northwest, United Airlines would cease serving Bellingham, Wash., and would cancel its Salem-Bend-Klamath Falls operation. Salem for its McMinnville, Ore.,

stop, and would add Bend and Klamath Falls to its schedules.

> Anderson on National **Atlantic Union Board**

Steve Anderson, Salem attorney and active in the Salem Atlantic Union group, was notified Mon-day he had been appointed to the national council of the Atlantic Union committee.

Anderson's appointment was made by Owen J. Roberts, former justice of the supreme court of the United States, national president for the organization.

HOPS STORAGE DROPS

TAIPEI, Formosa, Tuesday, March 28 -(P)- The Chinese na-PORTLAND, March 27 -(AP)-The U.S. marketing control board Hewitt was dean of Willamette tionalists today reported the big- for hops reported today that 47,-

strong said he would propose an ban. amendment to include also an \$82,700 Madison avenue drainage cilmen to accept the bill as a means with the governor earlier Monday project earmarked in the master of reducing fire danger and the plan for 1952.) incidence of personal injuries. He

Sewers - A \$800,000 bond is- said the official city aid records want the property for a parking sue proposed, to complete \$385,000 alone show 44 persons, mostly chilfor interceptor sewer and dis- dren, injured by fireworks in the be erected just across Capitol posal plant for larger population past three years. Roble said pres- street. than original bond issue contem- ent law led to "a multitude of Asks for Action Soon plated; new trunk sewers north fireworks stands all over town, and east, south Salem sewer ex- some of them in tents." tensions; westside pumping sta-Alderman Gille said the ban tion, high level main and inter-

would mean "a sad day for Salem youngsters." He added that some eptor. . Bridges - A \$125,000 bond is- businessmen have an investment sue for new bridges on North of as high as \$5,000 already in

Church, South 23rd, Mission, Ford fireworks this year. and South 25th (over Shelton ditch) streets. (The city manager said work of replacing the Church street bridge will begin as soon as Mill creek lowers, re-

After Night on gardless of fate of bond issue pro-

Airport — A 2.6-mill special levy proposed for each of two years, to provide \$77,000 each year. This money to be matched

by federal funds in a 500-foot SPRINGFIELD, March 27 -(AP)north-south runway extension with connecting taxiways, first Three teen-age castaways were two units of administration build- rescued from a Willamette river ing, high intensity lights, improve- island today after an adventurous

ment of 25th street access and night. The lads set out yesterday by other airport improvements. Water - The \$300,000 bond isboat for a river cruise. When sue proposed would not require they failed to return home last ernment uses in figuring airmail special taxes for retirement but night, their parents sought state pay to different types of carriers. would be retired by water de- police help.

West Coast Airlines, Inc., is partment revenues. The bond is-An air observer sighted an sue represents the remainder of overturned boat halfway between cate to operate a "feeder" air ser- an earlier-authorized bond issue Jasper and Springfield. An island

which was not sold, but since 15 was nearby. The case also involves a cab or- years has elapsed, bonding at-The case also involves a cab or-der which contemplates giving torneys said a revote would be Pyle, 15; Ray Meisenholder, 18, necessary. The entire self-finan- and Edgar Rose, 18. tute its service for that of United cing water department program The boys said their craft struck Airlines at several cities. for 1950 and 1951 would total a log and spilled them into the If the CAB approves West \$780,000, including a huge new river. They swam to the island

where they spent the night. reservoir at Turner.

'Hoover Board' Asks Tighter West Coast would substitute alem for its McMinnville, Ore., top, and would add Bend and

Tighter controls over finances | 2. Study of total number of of the state government are in- state agencies with a view of poscluded in the objectives of the sible merging of some depart-1949 legislature's so-called "Little ments. Hoover Committee," Robert R. 3. Check on the overall man-

mine if certain changes can be made in the state structure that

Johnson, committee secretary, agement control of state activisaid here Monday. Continual check on proposed

Johnson pointed out that Oreexpenditures by state departments gon now has approximately 75 could be accomplished either state agencies operating with apthrough creation, of a legislative propriations and another 25 or auditor or council, Johnson said. more serving in an advisory capa-Such checks would protect the excity.

penditure of state funds and at the same time provide the legis-lature with much valuable information, he added.

will bring about a greater effici-Members of the committee feel ency and reduced costs in state there is not sufficient time to give adequate study to the entire sub-

operations, Johnson said. "All committee members have ject of state reorganization, Johnson continued, and therefore it has agreed," Johnson declared, "that tionalists today reported the big-gest communist invasion attempt on Hainan island but asserted red beachheads had been wiped out. for hops reported today that 47,-been decided to give priority to three subjects, as follows: 1. Organization and methods of financial control. beacheads had been wiped out.

and west Salem. (Alderman Arm- tic than present law but not a total state officials opposed it. Mayor R. L. Elfstrom said he and had been informed that the state highway department might

lot. Its new office building will

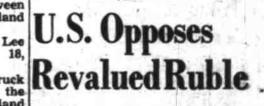
Property owner Rhoten pointed out last night that the zone change proceedings already have been in progress several months. He asked that the matter not be held in abeyance indefinitely.

Alderman Daniel J. Fry suggested that no action should be taken until the legislature meets next January. He said the council should take action on its own judgement if no concrete legislative plan were evolved.

Other aldermen said they hoped to hear from the governor or the highway commission within a few weeks.

Other new overtures to the council last night on the zone matter, besides Gov. McKay's letter, included an endorsement for the change by Salem Chamber of Commerce executive committee and a protest against it by John

A. Murray, 1025 N. Summer st. City and state planners have been mulling plans for several months on extension of the capitol zone north from Center street and policy for fringe area zoning.



WASHINGTON, March 27-(P)-The United States protested to Russia today that she has put a "purely fictitious" value on the ruble.

A note published by the state department declared that the new Soviet decree establishing an exchange rate of four rubles to the dollar means food prices in Mos-cow are several times those in

Washington. It said the Soviet currency continues to have low purchas power in terms of commodities, regardless of Moscow's recently proclaimed domestic price reduc-

tions and its announcement that the ruble is now on the gold standard.

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fornia. required. His committee states his quali- Roy Hewitt fications as follows:

Roy R. Hewitt will support national and state democratic propropriations. grams, with first attention to:

Roy R. Hewitt (d)

Candidate for

First District Congressman

candidacy for representative in

congress.

He is a native

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public schools, Willamette uni-

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Roy R. Hewitt has filed his

Securing of permanent peace by strengthening the United Nations until it becomes, or there has been built a World Union monopoly. with legislative, judicial and executive powers for enforcement of taxes.

peace, that will command allegiance of all. He will do his utmost University College of Law five to cause the United States to lead years. a peace program.

(Tomorrow: L. T. Ward)

Marion County on what candidates may say. Each is inflicted to 250 words, and there will be no deletions from or changes in their stories except in cases wherein they exceed that limit. Comments in this series, are made by or for the candidates, and may or may not reflect the opinion of this newspaper). Today's subject: **Budget Board** A permanent plan for suppor of farm products prices and to Rex Hartley, prominent farmer assure farmers equality with others in purchasing power. in southwest Marion county, was Recognition of the program of

appointed Monday to a threelabor and labor organization, but, year term on the county budget board, effective July 1. He succeeds D. B. Hill of Mill City,

following the court's policy of for senior citizens, as their earned rotating positions on the board. The court also set Monday, May 22, as the opening day of the

The earth should not be mined annual budget meeting. Hartley of natural wealth, essential for food, clothing and medicine for he might "listen in" on that sesgenerations yet unborn, as long sion, as has been done in past as there remains a pound of fall- years. Other board members, ing water that can produce energy besides the court, are A. C. Haag of Salem and Manton Carl of

He will be diligent to secure Hubbard. a Columbia Valley administra-Hartley was described by tion, and to secure Oregon's share County Judge Grant Murphy as a "very progressive" farmer. He of wealth-producing national ap-

is a past master of Ankeny grange and of Marion county Pomona Keep the pathway to individual initiative and free enterprise from Grange. He is a past grand being blocked by unrestrained worthy patron of Eastern Star.

Begin the reduction of govern- HAINAN ATTACK BEATEN ment spending by repealing war

up data on the Lattimore case obtained from outside the FBI files.

