



NANCY MILLER



MARTHA STORRUSTE

Princesses

Nancy Miller, Salem High school, 17, brunette, 5'5".

Martha Storruste, Silverton High school, 17, blonde, 5'6".

Marlene Hartman, St. Boniface High school, Sublimity, 17, auburn hair, 5'4".

Dwynn Anne Herberger, Sacred Heart Academy, Salem, brunette, 5'3 1/2".

Patricia Mae Kirk, St. Paul High school, brunette, 5'4 1/2".



MARLENE HARTMAN



DWOYNN ANNE HERBERGER



PATRICIA MAE KIRK

Cherryland Fete Court Includes 3 Brunettes, Blonde, Redhead

By Charles Ireland
Staff Writer, The Statesman

Three brunettes, a blonde and a red-head. That's the 1950 line-up of Cherryland princesses chosen here last night.

From a bevy of 14 valley beauties judges selected girls from Sublimity, Silverton and St. Paul—and two from Salem.

Springfield Backs Mayor

SPRINGFIELD, April 14—(AP)—Springfield voters apparently refused tonight to recall Mayor B. P. Larson.

With complete returns in from eight of 11 precincts the vote was 895 for the mayor to 525 for his recall.

The mayor, involved in a fight over public power, was accused of inefficiency and failure to live up to campaign promises.

The mayor is backing a plan to start a municipal power system to compete with Mountain States.

The city council, in a move interpreted as supporting the mayor, fired City Manager Fred Cheatham last night. Cheatham often had opposed the mayor in council meetings.

BASEBALL

COAST LEAGUE
At Portland-Hollywood, rain.
At Los Angeles 2, Sacramento 3 (10 inn.)
At Seattle 3, Oakland 4.
At San Francisco 0, San Diego 10.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I know you're tired of berries, dears—but soon we'll have bananas and peanuts and candy bars."

Railroad Walkout Pending

WASHINGTON, April 14—(AP)—The brotherhood of firemen and engineers said today its dispute with the railroads over an extra man on diesel locomotives may lead to a strike call any time.

A committee of chairmen of firemen and engineers on major railroads will meet in Chicago within the next few days to determine the extent of the threatened strike and the date a walk-out might be called.

The announcement given out here, came from Union President David B. Robertson in Chicago who said a last minute effort had failed to negotiate a settlement with representatives with the nation's railroads in the long standing dispute.

Similar negotiations were being held in Chicago by negotiators for the brotherhood of locomotive engineers.

Officials said that strategy has not been determined as yet whether to strike all of the railroads at one time or to walk out on a few of the lines.

The 110,000 members of the brotherhood of firemen and engineers authorized a strike in a referendum several months ago.

Neuner Asks Coordination of Traffic Laws

A coordination and clarification of Oregon's traffic laws was asked in Salem Friday by Attorney General George Neuner.

Neuner told a meeting of the Oregon state safety commission, "There is too much variance in traffic regulations."

"Speed limits range from 20 to 35 miles an hour in different communities. This results in confusion and opens the field for many traffic violations and high-way accidents," Neuner said.

Lee Brown, assistant superintendent of state police, agreed with Neuner. "It is the experience of state police that in some zones the speed limit is too high and in others it is too low," Brown said.

Brown also complained that state departments were too lenient in reprimanding employees who persist in violating road laws.

Neuner declared that "any program approved by the safety commission should be submitted to the legislature for final action."

Representatives of the state highway commission, industrial accident commission, public utilities commission and state health department also spoke at Friday's meeting. Clifford Knodel of Albany, commission chairman, presided.

(Additional details on page 4).

NEWPORT ASKS HOSPITAL
NEWPORT, Ore., April 14—(AP)—A Lincoln county group applied to the federal government today for \$53,000 to be used in construction of a hospital here.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	53	36	.03
Portland	52	41	.01
San Francisco	59	39	.00
Chicago	49	29	.00
New York	49	27	.08

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy with a few showers today. Cloudy tonight with rain again Sunday. High today near 55 and low tonight near 42.

24-HOUR PRECIPITATION
This Year Last Year Normal
39.03 37.50 32.55

Expert Says Half Of Astoria Homes In Peril of Slide

ASTORIA, April 14—(AP)—The skidding hill which has wrecked or damaged 21 Astoria houses can't be fixed, a state highway commission expert reported today.

He added a still gloomier finding: The entire north slope of the city—a slope that holds half Astoria's houses—probably will eventually begin skidding, too.

The latter threat isn't immediate. It's a slow geological process, and may take 500 years.

The report came from Lewis Scott, assigned here by Oregon's governor to find out what can be done about the slide that has been wrecking the Coxcomb Hill section since January.

Scott reported that the trouble is a flow of mud, which can not be stemmed until the slide builds up at the toe of the hill enough to stabilize the earth.

Henry Fonda's Socialite Wife Ends Own Life

BEACON, N. Y., April 14—(AP)—Actor Henry Fonda's socially prominent wife, being treated for a nervous disorder, killed herself today by slashing her throat with a razor blade.

She had been in a sanatorium more than two months.

She was Mrs. Francis Seymour Brokaw Fonda, 42, descendant of Revolutionary war pioneers. Her first husband, a financier, left an estate of millions.

Fonda, who had been living apart from his attractive wife, hurried here after her suicide. After a simple funeral service the body was cremated.

The actor then returned to New York and went on stage as usual in the lead role of the hit show "Mr. Roberts" at the Alvin theater on West 52nd street.

Fonda last December authorized a statement that arrangements were being made for a divorce. His name was linked with that of 21-year-old Susan Blanchard, stepdaughter of Theatrical Producer Oscar Hammerstein.

Mrs. Fonda was descended on her mother's side from Samuel Adams, a Revolutionary war figure.

Truman Gives Curley Pardons

WASHINGTON, April 14—(AP)—President Truman disclosed today he has granted a full pardon to Boston's 75-year-old ex-Mayor James M. Curley for two federal felonies, involving mail fraud in 1942 and impersonation in 1903.

Curley had already served his time for both offenses—a total of seven months in prison—and the pardon was regarded as chiefly a gesture to followers of the longtime stormy petrel of Massachusetts politics.

The White House said the pardon was granted yesterday, but it was not announced until Curley sailed from New York this forenoon on a Holy year Pilgrimage to Rome.

STRIKE POSTPONED

NEW YORK, April 14—(AP)—AFL ship officers on the east and gulf coasts agreed tonight to delay for one week a strike which had been set for midnight tomorrow.

Politics on Parade

Who's Running for What in the May Primaries!

(Editor's note: Comments in this series are made by or for the candidates without restriction, and may or may not reflect the opinion of this newspaper.)

Today's subject:

H. R. (Farmer) Jones (R)

Candidate for

State representative (Marion)

To the Editor of The Statesman: Thank you for asking me to appear in your "Political Parade" column. Rather than a statement, I prefer a letter.

I am a friendly, to the people, I hope will support me in the May primary election.

I served you in three recent sessions as your Marion county representative. The record shows that I worked honestly and untiringly

for the best interests of all the people of Marion county and the state. I gave special service to the aged, infirm and underprivileged. All legislation designed to make Oregon a better state to work and live in had and has my unqualified support.

As a farmer and fruit buyer, I naturally was and will be alert and aggressive to all legislation affecting rural Marion county's well being.

Regarding educational legislation, I know that the state cannot remain great or become greater unless our educational system is maintained and improved.

Marion county elects four representatives and two senators. Half the county's population is outside Salem, and half the taxable resources are outside your city limits, yet nearly every candidate is a city resident. For complete representation, vote for at least one rural candidate. If you approve my record, I will be grateful if you cast one vote for me.

H. R. Jones

(Tomorrow—Gene Malecki.)

Freeze Covers East U.S.

By The Associated Press

Power-mad spring is on one of her worst binges of modern times. Flexing her unyielding muscles, she took a fresh swipe Friday at already damaged peach buds and strawberry blossoms, dumped snow on ball parks that just opened for the season and froze up earth that should be feeling the bite of the gardener's spade or the roll of a golf ball.

All time records for cold this late in the spring tumbled in seven states—Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Georgia, Alabama and New York. Spring fever gave way to spring chills in the east, Midwest and south.

The army and air force rushed families to North Dakota to reach fawns and cattle isolated by snow and ice.

Spring's Jekyll-Hyde antics sent the mercury plunging to zero in Bemidji, Minn., and to 10 above in the Pennsylvania mountain area. The freeze line dipped into South Carolina, northern Georgia, northern Alabama, northern Arkansas and Kansas.

The peach crops in northern Georgia and the Carolinas were virtually written off as a \$16,000,000 complete loss.

Peach growers in southern Illinois also suffered a loss. Some took a cue from California citrus growers and burned makeshift smudge pots.

The killing frost set back the western Tennessee strawberry crop while earlier frosts damaged peaches and strawberries in Arkansas.

Weather forecasters said "extremely cold weather" would hit the Midwest and east again Friday night.

Salem Pilot Hurt in Crash

CORVALLIS, April 14—(AP)—Bell Dornan, 27, Salem, was injured today when his plane overturned upon landing here.

He was taken to a hospital with a cut forehead and shoulder injuries, but was not badly hurt. Dornan, a pilot for Ace Flying Service of Salem, had come here to dust crops.

His plane apparently hit one wing as it landed. The wing snapped off, and the craft nosed over.

U.S. May Furnish Navy, Planes for Atlantic Pact Defense, Bradley Says

May Upset 'Balanced Forces' Theory; General Admits Alaska 'Weak Spot'

CHICAGO, April 14—(AP)—Gen. Omar Bradley said today the United States may have to sacrifice a bit of sovereignty and furnish north Atlantic area defense a navy or air force greater than "we would normally be willing to provide."

Thus, he said, it may become necessary in future years to upset the theory of a balanced army, navy and air force, and to tie the size of each unit to the joint defense plans of North Atlantic nations.

The possibility arises from a suggestion by a small nation that a central body within the Atlantic treaty framework should decide how fast and how much each nation's armed forces must be expanded, he said.

"Traditions will have to give way to reality," Bradley declared. Bradley is chairman of the U. S. joint chiefs of staff. He did not name the small nation or say what was done about the suggestion.

He addressed more than 1,000 Chicago business leaders. Later, answering a question from the audience, he said Alaska is a weak spot in American defense, but "undercover agents" are the greatest menace to U. S. security.

"Even our kids in school are being corrupted by these agents," he said.

In his address, the former chief of staff of the army recalled the history of the Atlantic pact and the recent Hague conference of the defense chiefs of nations which signed it.

Out of this conference has come the possibility that American defense plans would be ranked second to those of the western world, he said. He added:

"With such an arrangement, of course, a small bit of sovereignty is relinquished. But when I think that national pride and sovereignty are often paid for with the life and blood of soldiers, I feel we must accept the more difficult alternative which comes with this joining of hands in collective defense."

(Additional details in women's section; picture on page 5).

PHILIPPINES FIGHT RAGES
MANILA, Saturday, April 15—(AP)—A battle between Philippine army units and 500 Hukbalahap guerrillas is raging 50 miles north of Manila, national defense headquarters said today.

BUILDING SETS RECORD
WASHINGTON, April 14—(AP)—A record-smashing home-building boom is in progress. The bureau of labor statistics reported today that 110,000 homes were started in March, which topped all previous figures.

WOODBURN, April 14—Work on Woodburn's two new school buildings is under way. Ground was broken Tuesday at the site of the high school building on the northwest corner of St. Paul and Boone's Ferry roads.

All the footings for the parochial school have been poured, and work on the frame is progressing. Both buildings are expected to be completed by next fall. Both are being built by Henry B. Mason Co., Portland.

State to Take Over Public Service Building Today

The state's new public service building, recently completed here at a cost of approximately \$2,000,000, was accepted by the board of control Friday as of Saturday noon.

This was announced following an inspection of the building by the board of control Friday forenoon.

The structure is five stories high, of concrete and steel construction with marble exterior. It contains 100,000 square feet of useable space. Contract for the building was awarded to the Sound Construction company on May 18, 1948. Moving state departments into the new building will start Monday.

Housed in the new structure will be the state unemployment compensation commission, public utilities commission, state industrial accident commission, civil service commission, state police, state board of control and audit division of the secretary of state's office. A cafeteria is located in the basement.

Under the contract with the Sound Construction company the company assumes responsibility for repairing any defects found in the building within one year from the time of its acceptance.

Officials said moving operations would require three weeks.

Oregon's new Public Service office building will be turned over to the state today. The building is located in the capitol quadrangle opposite the state library building. (Statesman photo.)



First to move into the new state Public Service building will be the state unemployment commission. Above is a group packing up files in the basement of the old high school building where the commission has been housed for several years. In the group are Eleanor Brown, Mrs. N. L. Gattin, Shirley Smith, Betty Rhine, Mrs. M. G. McBoe, Mrs. Doris Williver, Verne Anshel, Mrs. E. C. Rhine, Eunice Addie, Miss Cooper, Elizabeth Bauer, Marion Mulcahy, Genevieve Ashford. Trucks will load the hundreds of desks, files, chairs and other pieces of office furniture along with big business machines and transport them to the new office building where moving in will begin after noon today. (Statesman photo.)