

# THE VALLEY NEWS COLUMNS

From The Oregon Statesman's Valley Correspondents

## Funeral Service Set Wednesday For Mrs. Moser

SILVERTON—Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Zula Moser, who died Saturday at the Silverton hospital, will be held Wednesday at 2 p. m. from the Ekman Funeral home with interment in Miller cemetery.

Mrs. Moser was born in Kansas, Jan. 6, 1882. She had lived at Silverton a number of years.

Survivors are the widow, Orval Guy Moser, Silverton; son, Orin in New York; 1 grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. William Harlan of Foss, Ore., and Mrs. L. C. Bailey of Oregon City; two brothers, A. S. Waters of Stayton and Edgar of Eugene.

## Event Planned To Aid Scouts

SILVERTON—Sergeant Wymer, recruiting sergeant for the army air corps was program guest of the Silverton Junior Chamber of Commerce Friday night at Toney's. Wymer showed movies of the China crisis, the Flying Tigers and air progress from the time of the Wright brothers.

Plans were also started for a white elephant sale, proceeds to be used toward financing five Silverton Boy Scouts to the national jamboree at Valley Forge in July. Date for the sale was set for May 6, with place to be announced later. Named as a committee were Kenneth Brown, chairman; Dave Demeter and W. E. Grodrian.

## Mrs. Sorensen Heads Home Unit

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CLEAR LAKE—The Clear Lake home extension unit met at the home of Mrs. T. C. Mason on Friday, April 21. Unit members voted on their selection of projects for next year. New officers elected were Mrs. Arthur Sorensen, chairman; Mrs. Walter Oldenburg, vice chairman; and Mrs. Everett Whelan, secretary-treasurer.

Eleanor Trindle, home demonstration agent, presented the project, pre-cooked foods for the locker. Samples of frozen foods were served, with Mrs. Everett Whelan assisting the hostess.

Seventeen members were present. Mesdames Delbert Bair, William Smith and Clifford Orey were visitors and Mrs. Kenneth Seely became a new member.

## Scout Leaders Conclave At Idanha Spar Cafe

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IDANHA—The Spar cafe was the setting for the Boy Scout troop 43 executive dinner Friday night. Those attending were Eric Soderburg, Cascade Area council scout executive and his wife, Scoutmaster Don Striggow and Mrs. Striggow, Mr. J. H. Weisgerber, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heibert, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Overhiser, and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Oard.

## Valley Briefs

Silverton — Cub Scout Pack 52 receiving awards at the April meeting Friday night, were Derold Hopkins, Wolf; Peter Gosso, Robert VanCleave, Robert Adams, Jack Rutherford, Fred Grant, John Sanford and Craig Clark, jr.; Bear; Robert Adams, Peter Gosso, Craig Clark jr., and Jack Rutherford, Bear Gold Arrows. Plans are being made for the pack to appear as cowboys at the scout circus in Salem, May 6. A covered wagon is being built by a committee to be used for the occasion.

Marquam — Mrs. Al Oster has been elected president of the Butte Creek Parent-Teachers association, with L. A. Patton, vice president; Mrs. H. J. Kiersey, secretary; Mrs. Lawrence Gehaman, treasurer, and Mrs. Alvis Imper, historian.

East Salem — Mrs. W. E. Richardson was hostess for the April meeting of the Garden Road Neighborhood club at her home on Garden road Friday. Co-hostess was Miss Frances Byram. There were 17 present with Mrs. H. P. Sentman a special guest. The business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Richardson and "Look and Learn" games were on the program. Prizes were given Mrs. Julia Jennings and Mrs. Paul Lynch. Mrs. A. A. Geer received the door prize.

Idanha — Arnold R. Snyder, of the Gen. H. B. Freeman, flew from Seattle Friday night to spend a couple of days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Snyder and his brothers Donald and Leonard.

## Child Killed by Truck



SPOKANE, Wash., April 23—Air Force Sgt. F. D. LeFever kneels beside the blanket-covered body of his 3-year-old son, Michael Dale, who was killed when he was run over by a dump truck on a Spokane, Wash., street. Traffic Officer Dale Baird and unidentified relatives of Sgt. LeFever stand by. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

## Live Turkey Crop Stumbling Over Heavy Cold Storage Pack

By Lillie L. Madsen  
Farm Editor, The Statesman

How to eat cake and still have it has been reversed in the turkey world this spring.

How to eat the crop of yearling turkeys from breeder flocks now coming to market and still not have left the 1949 cold storage warehouse turkeys, is the big problem now facing turkey growers.

In an attempt to help solve this problem, which turkey growers report is "serious," growers, together with food trade, restaurant and processor representatives, will meet Tuesday night in the banquet room of the Bohemian restaurant at Portland. The meeting has been called by Walter Schwedler, president of the Oregon Turkey improvement association, sponsor of the gathering.

United States storage stock of turkeys on March 1 were 128 million pounds as compared with 51 million pounds in storage a year ago and the five-year average of 89 million pounds.

## More in Incubators

The number of poults hatched during March, as reported by hatcheries supplying information on turkey operations, totaled about the same as in March last year. These same hatcheries reported 20 per cent more eggs in incubators on April 1 than a year ago. Reports from hatcheries covering February and March showed only a 6 per cent smaller poult hatch than during the period last year.

Unless the yearlings now coming on the market are eaten up they will be on hand to depress prices of 1950 crop birds next fall.

Noel Bennion, Oregon State college poultry expert, and H. E. Pickering, U. S. department of agriculture food trades specialist from San Francisco, have been assisting in the arrangements for the session in Portland.

Seek Bigger Consumption  
The USDA is interested in seeing increased consumption of turkeys on the theory that the more consumers eat, the fewer the government will have to buy to support prices.

The USDA has announced it will not support 1950 crop turkeys, but it is committed to buy 1950 birds in storage next July.

Oregon turkey hatcheries continue to operate below a year ago, week-end reports showed. About 800,000 poults hatched in March

## CIO Votes to Back Flegel In Primary

NEWPORT, Ore., April 23 (AP)—The CIO political action committee of the first Oregon congressional district today voted to support State Senator Austin Flegel in the democratic gubernatorial primary. The committeemen indicated hte 1949 legislature's unemployment compensation act was involved.

Flegel, a Multnomah countian, is opposed by State Treasurer Walter Pearson and Lew Wallace, Portland. The state CIO council had refused to favor one candidate, declaring all three were acceptable. The congressional district committee announced "if Flegel is not nominated by the democratic party, we are going to get McKay again."

Delegates from the IWA locals pushed through the endorsement of Flegel. He had opposed a "seasonality" clause in the 1949 unemployment compensation act the woodworkers were against. Spokesmen here said the clause permits logging and sawmill industries to obtain seasonal classification. The union argues this denies unemployment benefits to lumber and logging workers idled during winter shutdowns.

## Budget Cutters Run Second to Tax Slashers

By William F. Arbogast  
WASHINGTON, April 23 (AP)—Budget cutters are running a poor second to tax slashers as the house heads into another week of fighting over federal finances.

The great \$29,000,000,000 appropriation bill to run the government next fiscal year threatens to leave the house early next month with an actual increase instead of a cut.

On the other hand, the tax slashing process under way in the ways and means committee starts up again tomorrow with signs that it may go well beyond the \$655,000,000 cuts in retail excise taxes which President Truman recommended. The committee has dipped into both retail and manufacturer excises and appears headed for a total cut of some \$1,000,000,000.

At the same time there is a noticeable lack of steam behind efforts to get the lost revenue back by plugging existing tax loopholes. Mr. Truman has promised a veto for any tax bill which doesn't do that.

The score to date: \$8,700,000 in spending cuts voted by the house in the gigantic appropriation measure to finance more than 40 federal agencies for the year starting July 1; \$335,000,000 in tax slashes on retail and manufacturer's excises tentatively approved by the ways and means committee.

There are no signs that the heralded economy drive, originally aimed at whacking at least a bil-

## Named



YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, April 23—Miss Pauline Powers (above), 56, teacher of blind students in the Chaney school, Youngstown, O., has been named "Best Teacher of 1950" in nationwide contest sponsored by Quis Kids radio program. She will receive a \$2,900 award. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman).

lion dollars from the omnibus money measure, will get into high gear when the house starts its second week of considering amendments.

The contrary appears likely.

## Commiss Take Possession of Hainan Capital

(Story also on page one)  
TAIPEI, Formosa, April 23 (AP)—The communists evidently took unopposed possession of the Hainan island capital of Hoihow today.

Nationalist fears were unceasing that the reds would win the whole 13,500-square-mile island in due course.

(The independent Hong Kong paper Sing Tao Min Pao said the reds peacefully entered Hoihow at dawn and shops already were reopening.)

Stanley Rich, Associated Press correspondent, who flew out of Hoihow to the Hainan south coast on the last plane Saturday afternoon, said the nationalist air force, army and civil administrators had left Hoihow. At the time he left, the reds were only three miles away.

Rich said the red invasion force was estimated at 10,000 to 15,000 men, opposing about 60,000 nationalist troops, of whom many had fled by air.

No News of Fighting  
There was no news of fighting on Hainan today.

The grim tidings, coming on top of false nationalist claims of a great defensive victory Friday, had a profoundly depression effect in Taipei, capital of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's regime. The nationalists many times in the past four years of civil war have put out exaggerated reports of victories, but never before

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have they put themselves in quite such a position.

Embarrassed nationalist officials conferred for hours before deciding on the texts of retractions admitting that a proclaimed "victory" was actually a defeat.

Current Theories  
There are three current theories for the original false report:

1. The nationalists simply counted their chickens before they were hatched;
2. The reds hoisted white flags as a ruse for which the nationalists fell; and
3. The Hainan command deliberately put out the false news to prevent panic and enable leaders to flee.

Rich's dispatch from Samah on the south coast said there were reports in nationalist circles that the reds actually were encircled and prettend to surrender Friday morning, then were joined Friday night by 2,500 local guerrillas and broke loose for their fast 25-mile push to Hoihow.

He also reported, however, that he flew over the scene of supposed "battle" where the nationalists had said communist corpses were piled, and saw nothing to indicate a fight.

Gen. Hsueh Yueh, the "Little Tiger" who is defense commander of Hainan, is now directing nationalist operations from the south coast port of Yulin, 130 miles by air from Hoihow. He fled there Saturday with Gen. Chen Chi-Tang, governor of Hainan, and other high officials.

The air force is based at Samah, near Yulin.

Capture of Hoihow gives the reds control of Hainan strait, which is only ten miles wide at its narrowest point. They thus are enabled to reinforce their holdings from the southern mainland at minimum risk.

## 12 Marines, Bermudians Lost at Sea

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 23 (AP)—Nine U. S. marines from the naval operating base in Bermuda and three Bermudians were believed lost today aboard a 32-foot fishing boat somewhere southeast of Bermuda. Names of the marines were not disclosed.

The boat, which left Bermuda at 6 a. m. yesterday, was expected to return at 3 p. m. The party left for Challenger Banks, 25 miles southeast of Bermuda, in a heavy sea and adverse winds.

The search and rescue division of the U. S. air force base at Kindley field was alerted at 6:45 p. m. and 15 minutes later Lt. Paul N. Gates took off in a B-17. After an all night search he reported he had seen no trace of the 12 men.

Other planes took up the search this morning. Commercial airlines have been notified to be on the lookout and are cooperating by flying at 500-foot levels for hundreds of miles as they approach or leave Bermuda.

If the men were unable to get an anchor at sea, it is estimated to boat may have drifted as much as 100 miles southeast of Bermuda during the night. This distance forms the critical search area at the present time.

The Pony Express began east-west operations through Utah in 1860.

Feather-bedding scheme of Firemen's Union to put an additional fireman on diesel locomotives has been

# CONSIDERED TWICE!

Fact Finding Boards appointed by Presidents Roosevelt and Truman

have said these demands were "devoid of merit" and they were

# REJECTED TWICE!

Now the Firemen's leaders seek to paralyze railroad transportation to compel the railroads to employ a wholly unnecessary additional fireman to ride on diesel locomotives. This scheme is plain

# FEATHER-BEDDING!

LEADERS OF THE Firemen's union have called a nationwide strike starting with four great railroads on April 26. These railroads are the New York Central, Pennsylvania, Santa Fe, and Southern.

The union claim that a second fireman is needed on grounds of safety is sheer hypocrisy. Safety has been dragged into this dispute only in an unsuccessful effort to give a cloak of respectability to vicious feather-bedding demands.

After a careful study of the first demands of this union, a Presidential Fact Finding Board on May 21, 1943, reported to President Roosevelt that there was no need for an extra fireman on diesel locomotives.

Again, on September 19, 1949, after a second hearing on the union leaders' demands, a second Board reported to President Truman that: "there presently exists no need for an additional fireman . . . upon either the ground of safety or that of efficiency and economy of operation."

Safety Record of Diesels is Outstandingly Good  
Although the railroads accepted the Board findings, the union leaders have brazenly rejected them. They represent that an extra fireman is needed for "safety" reasons. Here's what the

Board had to say on that point:

"The safety and on-time performance of diesel electric locomotives operated under current rules have been notably good . . .

"Upon careful analysis of the data submitted on safety, we have concluded that no valid reasons have been shown as a support for the Brotherhood proposal under which a fireman would be required to be at all times continuously in the cab of road diesels. The proposal must be rejected."

The real reason behind these demands is that the union leaders are trying to make jobs where there is no work. In other words, a plain case of "feather-bedding."

The railroads have no intention of yielding to these wasteful make-work demands.

## "The Safety Record of Diesels is Outstandingly Good . . ."

—PRESIDENTIAL FACT FINDING BOARD REPORT

Read these excerpts from official reports of Presidential Fact Finding Boards:

"The safety record of Diesels is outstandingly good, and it follows that the safety rules now applicable have produced good results."

"The safety and on-time performance of Diesel-electric locomotives operated under current rules indicate that Diesel-electric operation has been safer than steam locomotive operation . . ."

Remember! These are not statements of the railroads. They are just a few of the many similar conclusions reached by President Truman's Fact Finding Board which spent months investigating the claims of the Union leaders.