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The depth of Congressman William Lemke of North Dakota removes one of the leaders of the once famous Non-Partisan league which led an agrarian revolt in the upper midwest some three decades ago. Founded in 1915 by A. C. Townley the league spread over the Dakota prairies like wildfire. It got control of county offices and men of the state of North Dakota. It plunged the state into banking, money lending, flour milling. The outburst of socialism alarmed business interests in North Dakota and elsewhere and the political battle that developed were the local sensations of the 1920's.

### Hillcrest Job Filled By Board

Mrs. Lena Smithson, 52, of Chillicothe, Mo., was named superintendent of Hillcrest school for girls Wednesday by the state board of control.

### Weakened



SEOUL, Korea, June 1 — Power of President Syngman Rhee was drained heavily here today as results of Tuesday's election neared completion. Parties who supported Rhee were badly beaten in the voting.

### Rhee Power Challenged in Korean Vote

SEOUL, Thursday, June 1 — (AP) — Independents became the power in south Korea's National Assembly today with returns from Tuesday's election almost complete.

### Defense Backing Sought

By John M. Hightower  
WASHINGTON, May 31 — (AP) — With President Truman's full backing, Secretary of State Acheson called on the nation today to support the dovetailing of American land, sea and air forces with those of western Europe.

### Seeks Aid



WASHINGTON, May 31 — Secretary of State Dean Acheson, who went before Congress today to ask support of a union of American and European military for defense in the cold-war battle with Russia.

### Truman Asks New Health Department

WASHINGTON, May 31 — (AP) — President Truman asked Congress today to let him set up a new department of health, education and security under a cabinet-rank secretary. The scope of the proposed new department would be about the same as that of the present federal security agency, headed by Oscar R. Ewing.

### Japanese Reds Call Strike To Protest Eight Arrests

### 10,000 Blue Shirts Afraid to Come Back

LUBECK, Germany, May 31 — (AP) — Ten thousand German youths homeward bound from Berlin's communist rally marooned themselves tonight in a dreary camp just inside the iron curtain.

### Trials Rushed For Attackers Of Soldiers

By William Jordan  
TOKYO, Thursday, June 1 — (AP) — Grimly warning the communists to "behave or else," American occupation officials today pushed the trial of eight Japanese for roughing up U. S. soldiers at a red rally.

### Highway Route At Silverton Gets Approval

A Salem-Silverton highway route that would eliminate a grade crossing near Silverton was approved Wednesday by the Marion county court.

### Fire Fighters Open Annual Meet Today

Today would be a good day for a fire-at least Chief W. P. Roble and his Salem fire department would have plenty of help on hand to fight it.

### Position Not Clear

Where President Syngman Rhee stood today in his fight to crack the whip over the Assembly was not clear. Parties who supported him took a bad beating. But so did the opposition parties.

### Four Escape Umatilla Jail

PENDLETON, Ore., May 31 — (AP) — Four youths pried a hole in the Umatilla county jail ceiling today and escaped, unnoticed by officials and clerks working in offices nearby.

### Reds Release American Flier

HONG KONG, Thursday, June 1 — (AP) — American Pilot James McGovern, held in Communist China for almost five months, was returned to Hong Kong yesterday.

### Salem Budgeters Study Salary Increase Bids

Items which could be reduced to allow \$10 monthly salary increases for city employees were outlined to the city budget committee Wednesday night at a meeting abbreviated because of light attendance. The group will meet again at 7:30 p.m. Monday in city hall.

### Construction Of Dwellings High for Month

Home construction in Salem boomed for the third consecutive month during May when permits for 51 new dwellings were issued by the city engineer's office.

### Salem Cannery Wages Raised

Increased wages for Salem cannery workers during the 1950 season, just getting under way, were announced Wednesday by E. S. Benjamin, executive secretary of Salem local 670, Cannery Workers union. He said a new contract had been signed with most local canneries and negotiations were proceeding favorably with the others.

### Czech Treason Trial Opens

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, May 31 — (AP) — The main defendant, Dr. Milada Horakova, pleaded guilty today to charges of high treason, spying and sabotage at the trial of 13 Czechoslovaks accused of fifth column treachery.

### Forest Fire Spreads

GRANTS PASS, May 31 — (AP) — A forest fire burned into virgin timber on the slope of Johnson mountain today. It broke out in slash operations of the Evans Lumber company near Powers.

### Ferry Closure Seen

ASTORIA, Ore., May 31 — (AP) — The state ferry between Astoria and Megler, Wash., seemed likely to close down at 6 a.m. tomorrow, as today drifted by with no settlement of a labor dispute.

### Reach DP Agreement

WASHINGTON, May 31 — (AP) — Senate-house conferees who have been tussling for weeks over displaced persons legislation reached final agreement today on a compromise bill boosting the quota total to 340,000.

### Crommelin Retires

PENSACOLA, Fla., May 31 — (AP) — Navy Capt. John G. Crommelin, caustic critic of Pentagon policies, retired to private life at his own request today. Papers terminating his navy career were signed at the Pensacola naval air station by Capt. R. K. Gaines, commanding officer.

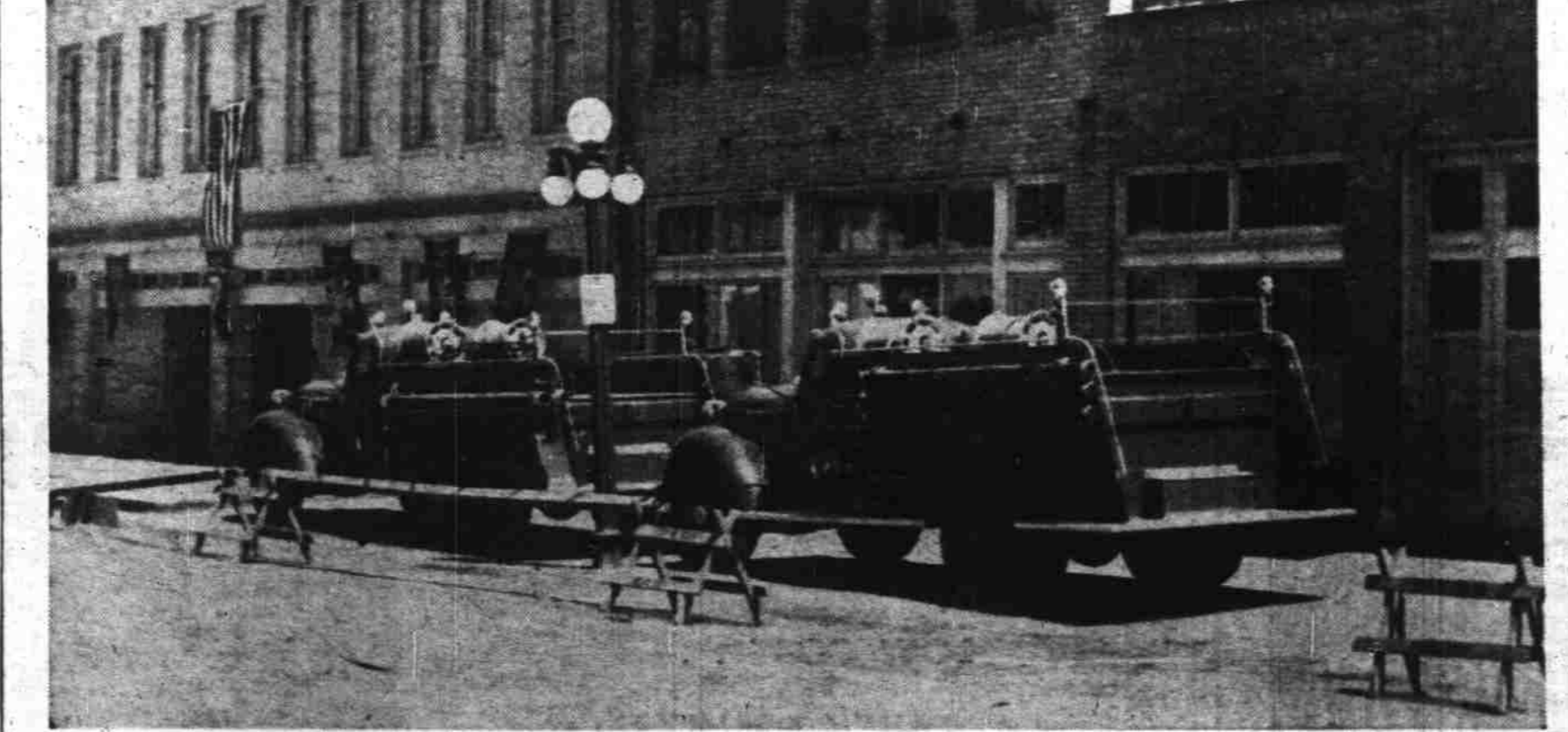
### Sublimity Fire District Voted

SUBLIMITY, May 31 — (AP) — Voters this week balloted 28 to 6 to form a rural fire protection district for the Sublimity area, a count disclosed today.

### Middle-Road Driver Was In the Right

A city policeman was primed to arrest a motorist Wednesday afternoon but when he took a second look the "auto" had turned into a "railroad train."

### Fire Fighting Equipment Displayed as Convention Opens



Displays of fire trucks and fire fighting equipment are all set up at Crystal Gardens hall for opening of Oregon state conventions of fire chiefs and firemen this morning. Registration and renewing of old acquaintances will take up most of the morning, but problems of city and rural fire fighting and prevention will occupy the convention goes during their three-day stand in Salem. Feature of the meet will be a big banquet Friday night. Salem Chief William Roble says that the local fire ladders are ready to make this the most outstanding convention the Oregon men have had. (Statesman photo).

### Uniform Closing Hour Set for Night Spots

PORTLAND, May 31 — (AP) — The state liquor control commission straightened out the closing hour problem today.

### That Vacation Time Is Here!

The high-roads are calling these days. No matter where they lead, you can keep up on the news by having your Statesman go with you — and you'd be surprised at how little cost.

### Animal Crackers



Do you believe that stuff about being brought by people?

BASEBALL  
WESTERN INTERNATIONAL  
At Tacoma 1, Salem 2  
At Vancouver 7, Victoria 0  
At Yakima 4, Tri-City 5  
At Spokane 3, Wenatchee 2  
COAST LEAGUE  
At Portland 1, San Francisco 0 (10 inn.)  
At Seattle 2, Los Angeles 1  
At Oakland 20, San Diego 8  
At Hollywood 3, Sacramento 1  
NATIONAL LEAGUE  
No games scheduled.  
AMERICAN LEAGUE  
No games scheduled.

THE WEATHER  
Salem: Max. 83, Min. 43, Precip. 0.00  
Portland: Max. 83, Min. 44, Precip. 0.00  
San Francisco: Max. 69, Min. 51, Precip. 0.00  
Chicago: Max. 77, Min. 52, Precip. 0.00  
New York: Max. 85, Min. 53, Precip. 0.00  
Willamette river 2.5 feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Generally fair today and tonight with little temperature change. High today near 84-88. Low tonight near 46-50. Agricultural outlook: Dusting and spraying will be hindered by moderate to weak winds most of the day, however other activities will not be hampered.  
SALEM PRECIPITATION  
This Year 46.88  
Last Year 40.73  
Normal 52.73

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