

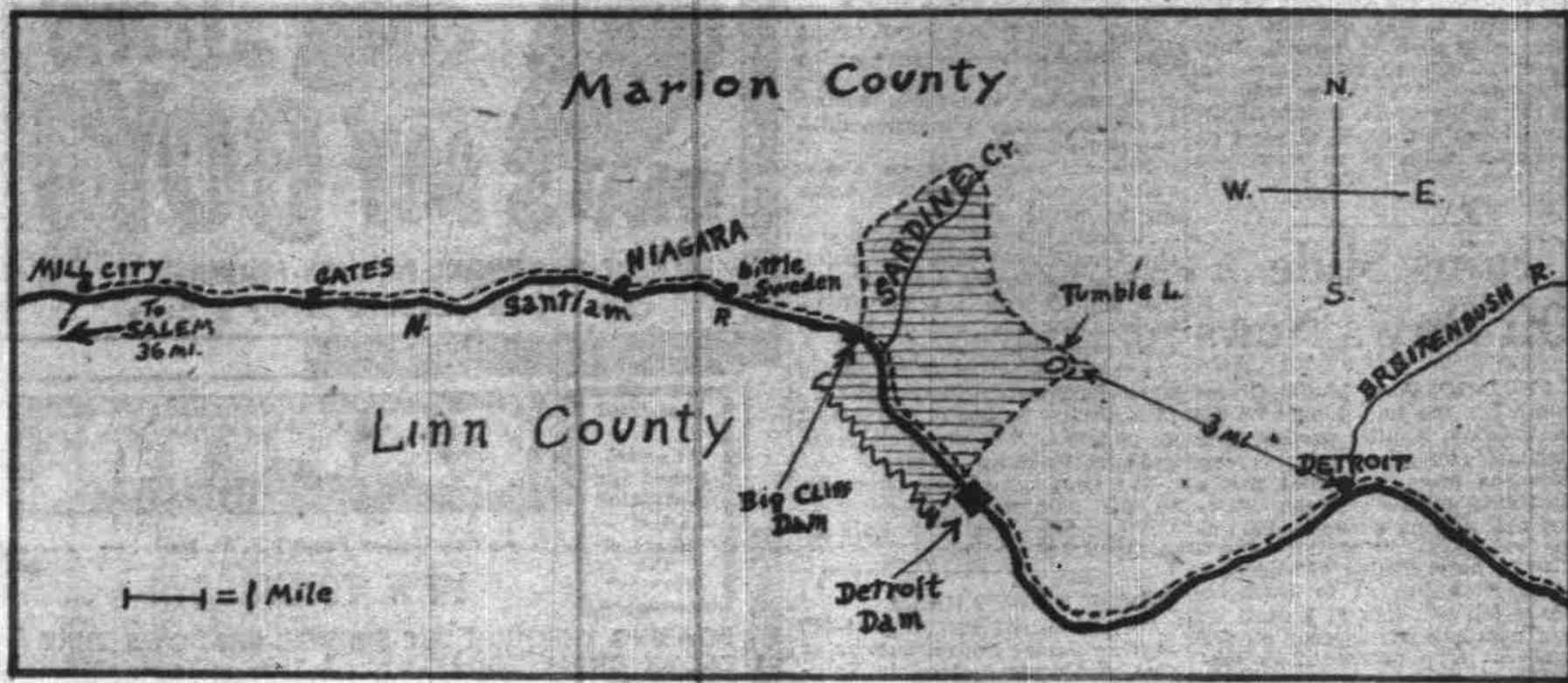
Weather  
Max. Min. Precip.  
Salmon 82 43 .00  
Portland 79 31 .00  
San Francisco 76 55 .00  
Chicago 75 50 .00  
New York 75 51 .00  
Willamette river -2.6 feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Fair today, tonight and tomorrow with little change in temperature. High today near 60; low tonight near 45.  
SALEM PRECIPITATION  
Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1  
This Year 49.54 Last Year Normal 27.81

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## Scene of Spreading Forest Fire in Santiam Canyon



MILL CITY, Aug. 24—The Santiam canyon (Sardine creek) forest fire changed its boundaries so often Friday that a completely accurate description was impossible. But the main blaze appeared to be in the shaded portion of the above sketch. It intruded into Linn county to the south were indefinite. And there were offshoots to the northwest and east toward Detroit. The fire-fighting head-

quarters was at Little Sweden. While the fire jumped the river and highway 222 between Detroit and Big Cliff damsides, reports indicated there was no blaze in the immediate vicinities of the two projects. The major blaze appeared to stretch about 3 miles east and west and about 4 miles south and covered around 3,200 acres.

**IT SEEMS TO ME**  
By Charles A. Squire

That what happens in Iran may affect us in America is shown in this extract from London correspondence in the Wall Street Journal on the consequences of the stoppage in oil production in Iran:

"American petroleum companies are likely to be asked to supply more oil; American consumers may be asked to use less oil."  
It is the last clause which has a special significance. We have had in the past rationing of gas and particularly in the second world war. The present Korean war has given an expanded market for aviation gasoline and for heavy fuel oil but so far our refineries have been able to meet these demands in stride.  
With the closing down of the largest oil refinery in the world at Adabon (600,000 bbl. daily), a shift must be made by its customers to other sources of supply. Kuwait, Iraq and Saudi Arabia will increase their production as fast as they can, but it will be some little time before they can take up the Adabon slack. Far eastern fields—Burma, Sumatra, Borneo—are not able to spare much production for other consuming regions. So there will be a call for petroleum products from the western hemisphere. The article quoted says some 200,000 barrels may be furnished to Britain from this source of supply. Since the United States is already on an import basis in petroleum, this quantity will have to be (Continued on editorial page 4.)

## Sardine Creek Blaze Forces Many Residents to Evacuate

### Two Convicts Sought After Daring Escape

Two of three convicts who late Thursday escaped from inside the state prison walls in a stolen auto were still at large early today despite police alerts throughout the northwest.  
Still sought were Manning Alexander Gallaher, 21, and Richard M. Moore, 45. Moore was not missed from the prison until after Walter Noorlander, third inmate in the daring escape, was recaptured near Newberg Friday morning.  
Moore was committed for life for assault and robbery while armed with a dangerous weapon involving a holdup of the Olds and King store in Portland. His record includes three previous convictions for assault and armed robbery dating back to 1921.  
Prison Guard Resigas  
Meanwhile, Prison Guard Henry Heyden made known Friday that he had resigned as an aftermath of Thursday night's escape. He said he had asked Warden George Alexander whether the warden wanted his resignation and that the warden had said "yes."  
Heyden was detailed to go to the gate to let in a sawdust truck Thursday night. With him in a prison car were Noorlander, who was driving, and Gallaher. As soon as the sawdust truck entered the prison confines, the convicts drove out through the gate in the car and disappeared.  
Warden Alexander said Friday that Heyden had orders not to have prisoners go near the gate. Heyden said he had no such orders.  
Prison officials gave full credit Friday to two Cascade school teachers for the recapture of dangerous convict Richard Eoff. Alan Robertson, music department head, and Charles E. Wallace, journalism teacher, recognized Eoff at Turner and brought him to the Statesman office where police were summoned.

### Six Americans Killed In French Train Wreck

METZ, France, Aug. 24—(AP)—Six Americans were killed early today in a train collision that took a total of 20 lives and injured more than 30 persons. The death toll may go higher.  
Other victims were French soldiers and civilians. With the Americans were passengers in the next to last car on a Frankfurt-Paris train. It was rammed by a Basel-Calais express while standing outside Sandry-Sur-Nied station about 4 a.m.

### Fire Threatens Detroit Dam Construction

The Sardine creek fire raced through tinder-dry slashing in the Detroit dam area Friday to force evacuation of three communities and alert others. The four-day-old blaze had spread over an estimated 3,200 acres and posed a new threat to the dam construction.  
Women, children and elderly persons, all those not fighting the fire's advance, were ordered to leave the area early yesterday afternoon by U.S. District Forest Ranger S. T. Moore of Detroit. The evacuation followed a plan prepared Tuesday by Marion county civil defense officials.  
An estimated 200 or more persons were involved at Mongold, Fisher's Camp and Detroit ranger station. Most had left by last night. A number had left Detroit and Idanha, where residents were warned to pack belongings in cars ready to leave on a moment's notice.  
**Douglas Blaze Trained**  
Oregon had only one other fire out of control Friday, covering 21,000 acres on Vincent creek, inland from the south central coast. The Hubbard creek fire north of Roseburg was trailed after blackening 10,000 acres.  
Construction and army engineers officials at the damsite said the fire was only about a mile away from them, in a sort of half-circle in the late afternoon. Work stopped so crews could wet down equipment and buildings to prevent their being set afire by wind-carried sparks.  
Heavy smoke and a layer of ashes plagued the lower canyon, around Mill City, part of Friday, but by afternoon the wind switched to come from the west, clearing the air there but pushing the fire toward the dam and Detroit.  
After jumping highway 222 and the North Santiam river between Detroit and Big Cliff damsite late Thursday night, the fire ate southward in Linn county toward Monument peak and raced eastward in slashing on both sides of the river. Phone lines down  
Telephone lines were down to Mongold and only emergency phone calls were getting through to Detroit. The highway, closed Thursday morning between Niagara and Detroit, remained blocked, not only officially but also by the shower of burning logs. Late Thursday night the road was reportedly a "bed of hot coals." One truck managed to get through Friday morning to deliver gasoline for vehicles employed in the battle.  
Late Friday afternoon, Howard Dean, assistant U.S. ranger, called the situation "serious" with considerable spotting of new fires due to the wind. He said the fire had appeared less wild on the Marion county side Friday than previously.  
The state forestry department had dispatched men and supplies to the canyon area until its resources were exhausted at Salem. Material was being brought from Portland.  
Following closure of Mongold, where most of the firefighters had been getting fed, the state and Clackamas-Marion Fire Patrol association were setting up a headquarters camp at the old Gates CCC side-camp.  
(Additional details on page 2)

## Foreign Arms, Economic Aid Gains Approval

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24—(AP)—Two senate committees unanimously approved tonight a \$7,535,000,000 program of military and economic aid to bolster foreign nations against possible communist aggression.  
The committees rejected, 14 to 4, a move to attach to the bill authority for construction of the St. Lawrence seaway.  
Sending the measure to the senate for debate beginning Tuesday, the foreign relations and armed services committees divided authority over military, economic and "point four" assistance three ways. The house previously had voted to lump all under a single mutual security administration.  
Under the senate committee bill, The Pentagon would direct up to \$6,013,000,000 in military spending and the economic cooperation administration (ECA) would handle most of the \$1,522,000,000 economic assistance. The state department would direct the relatively small "point four" program of aid to underdeveloped areas of the world.

### McCARTY DUE TODAY

PORTLAND, Aug. 24—(AP)—Arrival here by United Air Lines Thursday night is scheduled tomorrow at 5:30 p. m. for Sen. Joseph R. McCarty (R-W). He will address a republican picnic here Sunday.

## Teen-Age Sex, Crime Ring Bared by Girl's Testimony

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Aug. 24—(AP)—A 19-year-old girl has given information that may lead to exposure of a teen-age sex, drug and organized theft ring. Prosecutor Graham W. McGowan said today. The girl has told McGowan of participation by about 100 youths in midnight debaucheries in a woods near the South Bend city limits known to the youngsters as "hot rod heaven."  
The girl's story, McGowan said, has been substantiated by two teen-age boys and a 20-year-old girl.  
No arrests have yet been made. The prosecutor said investigations by the St. Joseph county sheriff and South Bend police are continuing.  
McGowan said the 19-year-old girl told him boys and girls from 14 to 21 years of age meet in "hot rod heaven" where they drink heavily, take narcotics, indulge in sexual indecencies and receive instructions from hoodlums on how and where to commit thefts to obtain money.  
According to the girl's story, the prosecutor said, the youths gather from the nearby Indiana cities of Elkhart, Goshen and Argos, and also from Niles, Mich.  
The girl was picked up last Tuesday night near her home by Deputy Sheriff William J. Locks. "She was higher than a kite but it wasn't from whiskey, beer or wine," the deputy said.  
The deputy said the girl told him a 16-year-old usher in a South Bend theater had given her "some capsules."  
The usher was questioned, Locks said, and told of being given the capsules by a Mishawaka youth known to him only as "Red" and of being instructed to give them to the girl who would identify herself by a signal.  
The girl also told him, Locks said, that "Red" and at least six other men handle narcotics which are brought from Kentucky in the tail lights of automobiles and motorcycles.

## BASEBALL

Western International  
At Salem 3, Spokane 7 (11 inn.)  
At Vancouver 3, Tacoma 2 (10 inn.)  
At Victoria 2, Wenatchee 11  
At Yakima 4, Tri-City 5

Coast League  
At Oakland 3-14, Portland 7-3  
At Hollywood 1, Seattle 5  
At San Diego 4, Los Angeles 1  
At Sacramento 3, San Francisco 8

American League  
At Cleveland 0, New York 3  
At Chicago 3, Boston 1  
At Detroit 7, Washington 10  
At St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 3

National League  
At Brooklyn 1, Chicago 6  
At New York 4, St. Louis 3  
At Boston 5-2, Cincinnati 1-1  
At Philadelphia 1, Pittsburgh 8

## Animal Crackers



Don't pick your teeth with 'em they're for dessert!

# Lightning - Sparked Blast Kills Eight 50 Die in Oakland Airliner Crash

## Four Portland Men Aboard Burned Craft

By Jerry T. Baulch  
OAKLAND, Calif., Aug. 24—(AP)—In a flash of flame and a thundering roar, fifty men, women and children died today as a plane burst on a fog-shrouded hillside. Everyone aboard the United Airliner perished.  
The big ship carried 44 passengers and a crew of six. The flight started last night in Boston,

## Cost of Living Rises; Wage Boosts Called

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24—(AP)—The government's cost-of-living index edged up to an all-time high with a rise of 0.2 per cent between June 15 and July 15. As a result, nearly a million auto and farm equipment workers will receive a penny-an-hour pay increase.  
At least 2,000,000 other workers have agreements tying their pay to the U. S. index, although not all of them will get an adjustment from the latest figures. Food prices turned upward after a slight decline the previous month. They reached an index of 227.7 per cent of the 1935-1939 average. The July 15 average for food was 12.1 per cent higher than in June 1950.  
Announcing the new figures, the bureau of labor statistics reported the cost-of-living index on July 15 was 185.5 per cent of the 1935-39 average.

## Colorado Dam Project Scene Of Explosion

WONDERVU, Colo., Aug. 24—(AP)—Eight men were killed and "at least 10" injured today when lightning struck explosives on a construction project near this tiny mountain community.  
The blast, which came at about 1:40 p. m. (MST) at the site of a 12 million dollar project of the Denver water board on south Boulder creek, rocked the surrounding countryside.  
Injured Man Dies  
T. L. McDonald, job superintendent for the Macco-Puget Sound company, project contractor, said "as near as we can ascertain at this time there are only eight dead and approximately 10 injured."  
At Denver meanwhile, St. Anthony's hospital reported an unidentified man received at the hospital from the blast scene had died and another was in critical condition. The hospital said more injured were being received. Three others were reported in a Boulder hospital.  
Premature Blast  
McDonald said "10 or 12" cases of dynamite were discharged by the lightning. Four men working on top of the canyon wall were killed almost instantly, he said. Four others, he added, died under a mass of rock that crashed down on the canyon floor.  
At the time of the blast the men were loading powder in holes that had been drilled on both sides of the canyon from bottom to top. Lightning, apparently struck on both sides, setting off dynamite charges about 60 feet from the canyon floor.

## Ridgway Calls Charges 'Malicious Falsehoods'

TOKYO, Saturday, Aug. 24—(AP)—Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway today brusquely told the reds' Korean war commanders their charges of allied neutrality violations at Kaesong were just a pack of "malicious falsehoods" but offered to resume the truce talks.  
It was the toughest-talking statement that the supreme allied commander had yet handed the communists.  
He said the latest charge—that an allied plane bombed the Kaesong area Wednesday night—was so "obviously manufactured for your own questionable purposes" that no reply was merited.  
The communist high command suspended the talks Thursday over the alleged incident and demanded a "satisfactory reply."  
The supreme allied commander offered to resume the red-suspended talks when the communists say so.  
Red leaders in effect had demanded that Ridgway knuckle down and admit that a U. S. plane tried to "murder" the red delegation.  
Whether Ridgway's blunt retort would be accepted as the "satisfactory reply" remained to be seen.  
One by one Ridgway ticked off the series of red charges. That the allies fired on Panmunjom, a point six miles east of Kaesong; that the allies killed a red patrol leader in an ambush August 19; that an allied plane dropped fiery jellied gasoline and high explosive bombs on the Kaesong area August 22.  
All these charges, Ridgway said firmly, "are rejected without qualification as malicious falsehoods totally without foundation in fact."  
But his statement ended, as had Kim's and Peng's latest harsh one, on a somewhat softer note:  
"When you are prepared to terminate the suspension of armistice negotiations, which you declared on August 23, I will direct my representatives to meet with yours, with a view to seeking a reasonable armistice agreement."

## Allies Ready To Fight on Against Reds

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Saturday, Aug. 25—(AP)—Allied forces—in the words of their commander, ready to fight "with hate and eagerness" against the reds and ground forces Friday.  
The biggest air battle in weeks between 46 communist and allied planes ended with two red jets shot from the skies. On the eastern front, South Korean infantry drove the reds from two hills and recaptured two others in the week-old "battle of the hills."  
A brief fight also flared yesterday just south of the Kaesong neutral zone.  
The largest action, however, was in eastern Korea. There enemy resistance slackened after days of rugged fighting.  
South Koreans clambered atop the four hills on the front west of Kaesong, east coast city 28 miles north of the 38th parallel.  
"The enemy cannot defeat the eighth army," Lt. Gen. James A. Van Fleet said in an interview. "He can bring in a million troops, but I'll be damned if he can support them."  
Van Fleet said his men's attitude "will turn to hate" and "they will be tough fighters" if the armistice conference breakdown should prove final.

## Modified Tax Boost Voted By Senators

WASHINGTON, Aug. 24—(AP)—A new tax increase bill that would not raise anybody's income taxes as high as the house voted to boost them was approved tentatively today by the senate finance committee.  
For most people, apparently, the increase voted by the committee would be 11 or 12 per cent, as contrasted to the 12 1/2 per cent increase approved by the house.  
The committee also voted to permit the government to take no more than 88 per cent of the big incomes. The present top is 87 and the house had voted for 90.  
Corporations Next  
The committee will turn tomorrow to corporation tax boosts. The committee voted to put the increase into effect Nov. 1 this year. The house had fixed Sept. 1.  
The senators also voted to make the new levy expire Dec. 31, 1953. This was to emphasize its character as a temporary defense tax.  
The plan tentatively approved today gives the taxpayer two options. He can take the smaller of these:  
1. He can pay an additional tax equal to 11 per cent of his present tax.  
2. He can pay eight per cent of what taxable income he has left after deducting the tax he pays under present law.

## 'We Cows are Civilized Now'



There may be wild cattle portrayed in the Wild Bill Black comic being so avidly read by the young man above, but his serene Jersey heifer quietly provide a comfortable back rest. The scene is one of the stalls at the current Marion county 4-H club fair at the state fairgrounds. Engrossed in the comics are Dennis Dumber, center, 1240 N. 18th st.; and John Lee, Salem route 4, who is showing his Jersey at the fair. (Photo by Don Dill, Statesman staff photographer).

## Scrap Shell Blasts Three

SEATTLE, Aug. 24—(AP)—A shell in a scrap metal cargo from the Philippines killed three men in a Seattle waterfront blast today.  
Three others were injured.  
The fatal blast was at the Ames Terminal company yard, on the West Duwamish waterway. Workmen said the blast occurred while powder remnants were being burned from the inside of the shells with acetylene torches.  
A foreman at the scene told Deputy Coroner James P. Adams that the "primer" charge apparently had been left in the shell that exploded.  
The scrap metal cargo includes 57 millimeter and 8-inch shells and 1,000-pound bombs. Workmen said they were supposed to have been cleaned of all dangerous explosives before leaving the Philippines.

NOTED EVANGELIST DIES  
PASS—GRIFFIN, Fla., Aug. 24—(AP)—Rodney "Gypsy" Smith, Jr., 70, retired evangelist, died of a heart attack on a fishing trip today.