



Albert William Karnes, who has confessed to the axe murder of Mrs. Susan Litchfield here two weeks ago, passes from the custody of Wasco County to the Oregon State Penitentiary early Friday afternoon. Taking handcuffs off the 24-year-old Karnes prior to dressing him in at the prison is Acting Sheriff Henry Re of Wasco County (left). Waiting to take custody is Lt. Lloyd Francis of the prison guard. Karnes will be tried later for the woodshed slaying of the 81-year-old widow. (Statesman Photo.)

# IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sorague

The Mill City Enterprise, which always is alert to protect the interest of the Santiam country, has raised the question why Elk Lake is not used more by the general public. This is the Elk Lake that lies near the crest of the divide at the foot of Battle-axe mountain, not the Elk Lake on the Century drive southwest of Bend on the other side of the Cascades.

The Enterprise says that few people have actually seen and enjoyed the Santiam country Elk Lake, and attributes this to a gate across the trail. It speaks also about the report that private interests are doing development work on mining claims and queries if the gate referred to is kept by them. If so, it asks, why is it allowed. Finally it asks, why are fishermen kept out of the lake, and who is doing the keeping out?

The Enterprise editor is comparatively new to these parts and seems to have his geography mixed up. He gets Elk Lake on the wrong side of the divide. The lake drains into Humburg creek which in turn runs into the Breitenbush and the latter into the Santiam which flows through Mill City. The other drainage is via Battle-axe creek into the Little Northfork which joins the Santiam at Mehama.

The mine the Enterprise refers to is the Amalgamated, a zinc mine in process of development. Its claims are along Battle-axe creek in the Little Northfork drainage.

Now about the gates. For years there has been a road branching (Concluded on editorial page, 4)

## AID BILL SIGNED

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Truman signed the foreign aid bill Friday, authorizing 6 billion four hundred forty-seven million dollars to bolster Allied countries against any Communist aggression.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Will you please stop using mother for an ash tray! She's inflammable, you know!"

## Lincoln County Seat Change Plan Revived

NEWPORT (AP)—A proposal to move the Lincoln County seat from Toledo to Newport is coming up again.

Defeated at the polls four times previously, the proposal is being sponsored this time by Otto Cahill of Newport. Petitions are being circulated to put the matter on the November ballot with 1,500 signatures needed.

## Spring Ends On Wet Note

By The Associated Press

Spring ended its three-month reign Friday with a medley of bad and good weather.

Summer arrives at 3:13 a.m. (PST) Saturday in a nation that already has had a preview of its high-bracket heat.

Spring put on a series of acts that varied from lousy to lovely, and the last one was typical. Much of the Midwest was wet Friday. Showers splashed in Iowa, northern Illinois, lower Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The fall measured 1 1/4 inches in southeastern Iowa.

There were thundershowers in eastern South Dakota, eastern Nebraska, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi.

Rain fell in the Western areas of Washington and Oregon, and in the northwestern corner of California.

Elsewhere, the weather generally was fair.

## Two Drivers Die in Oregon City Headon

OREGON CITY (AP)—Two drivers were killed near here Friday evening when their cars collided head-on.

Dead are Howard William Smith, 25, Mulino, and Claude Hale, 20, Mulino. No other persons were involved.

Smith, who was graduated from the University of Oregon Sunday, is survived by the widow, Virginia, and a 9-month-old daughter.

Hale, for many years financial secretary for the CIO Woodworkers, is survived by his widow, Lilas, and a son, Dr. Jack Hale, Sunnyside, Wash.

## U. S. Asks Investigation of Russian Charges Claiming Americans Using Germs in Warfare

By FRANCIS W. CARPENTER

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP)—Saying the time had come to expose Russia's "false and wicked lie," the United States Friday called on the Security Council for an impartial investigation of the Kremlin's charges that Americans and the UN are using bacterial weapons.

## Poisoned Grain Saves Town From Crickets

RENO, Nev. (AP)—Forty tons of poisoned bait arrived in the nick of time Friday to save the silver mining town of Austin from a mammoth invasion of ravenous Mormon crickets.

Only a quarter mile separated Austin's only water reservoir and the vast horde of crickets—moving in an area 25 miles wide and 14 miles deep.

A state agriculture official said the effect of the poison was to stir up a stench "like millions of dead fish rotting in the sun."

Had the crickets contaminated the reservoir, the 325 residents of historic Austin feared they would have been forced to evacuate their village—150 miles east of Reno.

Austin was not alone with the menace. George Schweis, director of Nevada's plant industry division of the agriculture department, said eight other areas were infested in Nevada. Nevada experts foresaw a probable appearance of the insects in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Utah and Wyoming.

They got their name of Mormon when they swarmed in 1850 on early Mormon settlers. Only an unexplained appearance of sea gulls saved the settlers' menaced grain.

The current appearance of the big dark brown crickets in Nevada was in such strength that they covered a section of State Highway 8-A in a solid mass for 22 miles.

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## Baby Arrives Unheralded

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Gross asked for a council meeting next Monday to consider his proposal. Monday is the first anniversary of the speech made by Soviet deputy foreign minister Jacob A. Malik which started the so far fruitless truce negotiations in Korea.

Malik, the Security Council president this month, gavelled Gross to silence when the American delegate began reading the text of the resolution calling for an investigation.

## 2 Wilson Brothers Lose Bid

WALLA WALLA (AP)—Two brothers sentenced to hang in Washington state prison early Monday for a 1950 slaying suffered a triple setback in federal court Friday.

Federal Judge Sam Driver denied Utah and Turman Wilson of Vancouver, Wash., a writ of habeas corpus, rejected a notice of appeal by the brothers' attorneys and denied a motion for a stay of execution.

The Wilsons were sentenced to the gallows three times for the slaying of Jo Ann Dewey in Clark County, Wash., but have succeeded twice in obtaining stays to continue their long legal battle for life.

One Chance Left

Judge Driver left the way open, however, for the brothers to carry their case for the second time to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

He granted a certificate of probable cause, making an appeal to the circuit court possible.

At the same time, the judge held out little hope to the Wilsons that the circuit court would act favorably on their appeal, since it already had granted one stay of execution to permit the U.S. Supreme Court to act on their case.

To Die on Monday

If the brothers fail to obtain further delays, they will go to the gallows at 12:05 p.m. Monday.

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## East German Travel Shaved

BERLIN (AP)—East German Communist rulers were reported to have clamped severe new travel restrictions on Soviet Zone people and to have stepped up their drive to put young Germans under arms.

Refugees who crossed over to the West said the new Soviet Zone orders forbid any "untrustworthy" person in East Germany from going three miles from home without a special permit.

The new travel curbs—stricter than any imposed by Hitler—obviously were designed to check the growing exodus to West Germany of those seeking to escape military conscription and tightening police-state oppression.

At the same time the new rules help keep all suspected anti-Communists under close supervision.

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## Here Come The Brides

June is for brides, and so is the special Brides Edition that The Oregon Statesman will publish Sunday. Written and edited by Jerry English, Statesman society editor, the edition will feature pictures of Salem brides-elect, articles on planning weddings and information for every engaged girl and her family.

For a complete reference, for answers to your questions about wedding editings, see the Brides Edition this Sunday in

The Oregon Statesman

## Young Sergeant Reduced, Fined For Writing Clark

MONTEREY, Calif. (AP)—A special court martial board of five officers at nearby Fort Ord Friday convicted Sgt. C. D. Chase, 24, of Salt Lake City, of disrespect of Gen. Mark Clark.

He was reduced to private first class, and must forfeit \$75 a month in pay for the next six months.

Chase had written a letter to Gen. Clark, commander of forces in the Far East, telling him that his handing of the Koje Island prisoner of war riots was "repugnant and disgraceful."

## Alert to Keep Lattimore in United States

WASHINGTON (AP)—The State Department disclosed Friday night that alerted U.S. Customs guards to halt any attempt by Owen Lattimore to leave the country.

The department said it issued the order after receiving a tip from an "official source" that Lattimore planned a trip to Soviet Russia or one of the Iron Curtain countries.

Officials of the department said they did not know whether the tip was correct.

Lattimore, a Johns Hopkins University professor, is a former State Department consultant. He has figured as the target of repeated U.S. State Department charges.

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## Allies Defeat Attacking Reds

SEOUL (AP)—The Communists hurled thousands of troops from two regiments at T-Bone Hill and two other heights on the western front Friday and early Saturday but desperate Allied soldiers killed or wounded at least 500 Reds and held the line.

Allied troops at times were entirely cut off. They were pounded by one of the heaviest Communist artillery barrages of the war.

However, Eighth Army sources said the U. N. forces held on.

A reinforced Communist battalion attacked Allied troops on T-Bone Hill in a bloody attempt to win back the entire position. An estimated 3,000 to 4,000 troops took part in the assault.

## Over 11 Per Cent Of Draftees in 4-F

WASHINGTON (AP)—Selective Service reported Friday that 11.6 per cent, or 1,443,315 of the 12,416,129 men it classified from 1948 up to April 30 under the draft system have been put in class 4-F, as unfit for military service.

The totals include the states, the District of Columbia and the territories.

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(Photo on page 5.)

## House Favors Ending Wage Board, Lifting Most Price Controls

## 15-Year Sentence Given Convict for Slaying in Prison

A night in the Salem city jail, and later George E. Harwood was back behind prison walls within 24 hours after he stabbed young Claude Clark Worley Thursday.

Circuit Judge George Duncan after Harwood pleaded guilty to a charge of voluntary manslaughter. The sentence was tacked on to Harwood's life sentence for the murder in 1932 of a Portland man during an apartment house hold-up.

In effect it means that what little chance Harwood had for being free on parole has now evaporated. He begins serving his manslaughter sentence immediately upon his parole taking effect, something Warden Virgil O'Malley declared, is quite unlikely ever to happen.

Harwood stabbed young Worley Thursday afternoon while the two scuffled in Harwood's cell in a prison cell block. The youth died in the prison hospital a short time later from internal bleeding, caused by one of two knife wounds which penetrated the abdominal wall and severed an artery.

Court Acts Fast

Harwood's court appearances and sentencing took about half an hour Friday. He was in a preliminary hearing in Marion County district court before Judge Joseph B. Felton, who was acting in place of Judge Val D. Sloper. Taken directly to Judge Duncan's court, Harwood pleaded guilty to the manslaughter charge.

Almost before Duncan's court was ready to begin business, Harwood stated, "I wish to plead guilty. I'm ready for the sentence." Judge Duncan, however, went through the formal motions of reading the charge and asked Harwood how he plead, and Harwood repeated his original statement.

Judge Duncan granted a five minute recess before sentencing to allow Deputy District Attorney Joseph Meier to explain to Harwood the meaning of the term "voluntary manslaughter," to which Harwood had expressed some doubt. After court was convened and Harwood was sentenced, Judge Duncan asked the slender, greying convict if he wanted to make a statement.

Harwood did. He said in regard to his stabbing of Worley, "I acted in my own behalf, for the preservation of my own life. I've done it, I regret it, and feel very sorry for the young fellow." Later, Harwood added to his statement, saying, "If I had to do it over again, I probably would. It was forced upon me by a bunch of young hoodlums, three or four of a clique who didn't like me very well. I couldn't go on forever." Harwood concluded.

Warden O'Malley doubted that Harwood's complaints were completely justified. "Harwood has never been too well liked in the prison as near as we can find out," he said, "and has often been in trouble."

Speaking of Worley, O'Malley said Friday, "Despite whatever difficulties the youth may have gotten into on the outside, he had been a good inmate since he was brought to the prison." O'Malley said Worley had been recommended for transfer to the MacLaren School for Boys at Woodburn.

In Segregation Cell

The youth had been on Christmas vacation from there when he participated with five others in beating up and robbing an old man in Klamath Falls last Christmas Eve.

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## THE WEATHER

| City          | Max. | Min. | Precip. |
|---------------|------|------|---------|
| Salem         | 67   | 56   | 85      |
| Portland      | 63   | 50   | 10      |
| San Francisco | 65   | 50   | trace   |
| Chicago       | 68   | 55   | 42      |
| New York      | 77   | 60   | 00      |

FORECAST (from U.S. Weather Bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy today and Sunday. High today near 75 low tonight near 45. Sunday temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 53.

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1

| Year      | Last Year | Normal |
|-----------|-----------|--------|
| This Year | 41.77     | 49.77  |

## Steel Strike Next Business For Congress

By WILMOT HERCHER

WASHINGTON (AP)—The House voted provisionally Friday to abolish the Wage Stabilization Board and lift price controls from almost all consumer goods.

After delivering these staggering blows at the administration's economic controls program, the House adjourned until Monday.

Members agreed, however, to postpone until Wednesday further consideration of a bill to extend the Defense Production Act, with all its basic controls on wages, rents and prices, for another year, starting July 1.

Amendment Ready

The first business Wednesday will be an amendment by Rep. Howard Smith (D-Va.) declaring national safety is imperilled by the steel strike and requesting President Truman to invoke the Taft-Hartley law, with its 80-day no-strike injunction.

With a coalition of Republicans and Southern Democrats in control of the voting, administration leaders say they will probably be unable to prevent adoption of the Smith amendment.

The President is extremely reluctant to use the Taft-Hartley law in the steel dispute, preferring that Congress give him power to seize the steel mills temporarily.

End of Price Control

A spokesman for the Office of Price Stabilization said if the House action on controls becomes law it "obviously would be the end of price controls, for all practical purposes."

Stabilizer Roger L. Putnam has made it clear that he considers abolition of the Wage Stabilization Board a mistake. He said Thursday the board had prevented a great many strikes during the stormy course of its existence.

Rep. Tallie (R-Iowa) sponsored the amendment to lift price controls and got it approved by a standing vote of 146-88. Democrats lined up almost solidly against it, their ranks were thinned by absences.

Need Later Votes

A standing vote of 176-61 adopted the amendment killing the WSB and replacing it with a board shorn of all power to intervene in labor disputes.

Both amendments are subject to later roll call votes in the House, and to Senate approval or disapproval. The size of the votes, however, led opponents of the administration's controls program to believe the amendments will survive the roll call test.

## EXPECT SECOND CHILD

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz Friday announced through their publicist that they are expecting their second child in January.

## BASEBALL

Western International

At Victoria 4, Salem 1  
At Vancouver-Triplex (rain)  
At Wenatchee 9, Spokane 8  
At Yakima 7, Lewiston 8

Pacific Coast League

At Los Angeles 6, Portland 1  
At Oakland 12, Seattle 5  
At San Diego 1, Hollywood 8  
At Sacramento 2, San Francisco 6

American League

At Cleveland 9, Boston 3  
At Chicago 6, New York 9  
At St. Louis 5, Washington 3 (tie)  
At Detroit 1, Philadelphia 3

National League

At Brooklyn 5, Pittsburgh 4  
At Boston 12, St. Louis 7  
At New York 4, Chicago 3  
At Philadelphia 3, Cincinnati 1

## Stassen Sees Hope in Close Fight Between Sen. Taft, Ike

By DOUGLAS B. CORNELL

(AP) Political Reporter

Harold E. Stassen sniped away at Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Sen. Robert A. Taft of Ohio Friday as "too conservative" for the Republican presidential nomination. "Don't count me out," Stassen said.

The former Minnesota governor used to say kind words about Eisenhower. Now he says he's disappointed in the general.

Eisenhower was conferring meanwhile in Denver with Idaho and Washington delegates to the Republican national convention.

Eisenhower was worrying, too, about whether to show up in person for next month's candidating battle in Chicago. His aides were divided on that, but

seemed to lean toward the idea they ought to be on the scene.

Taft is bidding Saturday for strategic support from Maryland with an appearance at a Taft carnival on a farm outside Washington. And Eisenhower strikes into Texas, where his supporters and those of Taft are trading charges of "fraud" and "steal" in a hot fight for control of a key 38-vote delegation.

Eisenhower makes a sentimental pilgrimage to his birthplace at Denison, then moves on to Dallas and a speech his backers billed as a "rip-snorter."

Top contenders for the Democratic nomination, going in for less spectacular skirmishing and name calling than the Republicans, are concentrating on the West and Midwest.