

# IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Leaders of organized labor have made the Taft Hartley Law the whipping post for all their grievances. Its repeal has become a shibboleth, and even the Democratic candidate for President, who denies it is a "slave labor" act goes along with the demand for its repeal, though prior to his nomination he called only for its modification.

An illustration of how the T-H Law is made the whipping post—unfairly, in my judgment—may be found in an editorial in the last issue of Oregon Teamster, publication of the Teamsters Union. Its heading was: "Justice Arrives in a Wheel-Chair Too Late."

It cited the following example to show the wrong of the T-H Law: "More than a year ago automobile salesmen in Portland began to organize a union. In November of last year, an election was held by the NLRB. The auto salesmen won their election and the auto employers immediately launched a campaign of retaliation against the salesmen.

"Salesmen were discharged for union activity. Dealers refused to bargain with the union. Union salesmen were discriminated against by their employers."

"Of course, the union filed unfair labor practice charges. But not until this July—eight months after the first election—has the NLRB been able to get around to ordering a hearing in the charges. The hearing will be in September. If the firms are found guilty and ordered to reinstate the men it will be a full year from the time of the first election before that happens."

To the best of my information the procedure of organizing a labor union, holding an election and citing an employer for unfair labor practice is the same under the Taft-Hartley Law as under the old Wagner

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## McKay Asks For 'Political Activity' Test

Gov. Douglas McKay heatedly denied he has "muzzled" state officials and even called Attorney General George Neuner into the act.

The governor specifically asked Neuner to determine if State Racing Commission Steward Cecil Edwards, Salem, is doing wrong by lending his name to a group seeking to retain pari-mutuel betting in Oregon.

McKay said that state department and officials will be allowed to provide factual information concerning measures on the November ballot. But, he added, they won't be permitted to campaign for or against any measures.

Edwards is one of the incorporators of "Taxpayers Committee for a Fair Pari-Mutuel Revenue," which was incorporated Tuesday.

"I am sorry to hear the governor has taken this stand," Edwards told The Statesman Tuesday night. "When the racing season is over—and it ended with the end of the State Fair—I do not consider myself an employe of the state."

Edwards went on to explain that he is appointed each year by the State Racing Commission. He is paid a daily fee by whatever track he happens to be working, he said. When there is break between race meets, he is not paid, he added. A steward is a sort of general supervisor of racing meets.

Last spring before the racing season started, he said, he had incurred some expenses in attending commission meetings and in other work pertaining to his steward job.

"I asked for reimbursement," he said, "and was informed by a deputy attorney general that I was not considered an employe of the commission because the racing season was not on."

Edwards outlined both sides of the pari-mutuel measure Tuesday night for members of the Marion County Young Republican Club. The governor has been under fire from several sources recently because of an order issued several days ago. The order directed members of the State Highway Commission and highway department staffers to keep out of the fight involving the big truckers bill on the November ballot.

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## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Both Thrust"

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## Joe and Jane College Are Back Phoning Again



New to the campus but pulling old tricks are these freshmen at Willamette University. According to them the first requirement in any college course is to see what the other students look like and then try to get a date. Trying to make that all important call is Dennis Muir of Portland. Interrupting (left to right, closest to Muir): Larry Hays of Lakeside, David McKay of Portland, Eugene Mead, of Portland, Bill Freeman, Oregon City, Page Bailey, Portland.



On the receiving end of a "freshman's" call is Joyce Karn of Tillamook. Her envious friends are (left to right), Diane Osborne, Seattle, Wash., Marilyn Parker, San Carlos, Calif., Shirley Dye, Portland. They are among the freshmen now undergoing orientation week at Willamette University. They are pictured at Lausanne Hall. (Statesman Photos.)

## Russ in Berlin Lift Blockade \$250,000 More Asked For County Courthouse

BERLIN (AP)—The Russians abruptly lifted their blockade of a highway strip between the American sector of Berlin and the U.S. road checkpoint to Western Germany Tuesday midnight. They left a U. S. military police patrol proceed without hindrance.

The Soviet breakdown followed a strong verbal protest by U. S. High Commissioner Walter J. Donnelly to Russian Gen. Vasily Chulov, chief of the Soviet Control Commission for Germany.

Earlier, heavily armed Russian sentries, brandishing weapons, had prevented American military police from driving along the strip. The West recognizes it as part of the Russian Zone, but the Reds have never previously prevented the U. S. from using it as an access road.

The final request for funds to complete and furnish the new Marion County Courthouse will be for \$250,000, on the Nov. 4 ballot, the County Court ordered Tuesday. The announcement of the special tax levy measure came as pouring of concrete footings for the large structure in downtown Salem got well under way. The construction contract is on schedule so far, but it is not yet known how long the shortage of steel will delay completion.

Also going in this week is the 8,000-gallon fuel oil tank, which will be 16 feet below the basement floor. This tank will hold more than the contents of a tank truck, permitting purchasing of oil in money-saving quantities.

The \$250,000 proposed levy, for one year only, is \$50,000 higher than the amount previously under consideration. County Court members said this is due to a refiguring of available funds and to rising costs of furnishings. This will accompany the final \$85,000 per year levy within the 6 per cent limitation.

In awarding the contract last spring, the court cut out items bid in at \$149,851 which will need to be added to finish the building—a second elevator, finishing third floor, paneling courtrooms and floor covering throughout. What these items will cost under new bids is problematical, but the Courthouse Commission felt that funds should be secured so that they would be in the building before it is occupied.

Next step in construction, said Claude Post of Viecko and Post, general contractor, is bringing most of the basement walls up to first floor level, then proceeding with erecting the north and south wings if structural steel is not available in time. The wings will use only reinforcing steel, while the central portion will require the hard-to-get structural type.

Post said about 25 men are employed currently on the project, about one-half the ultimate crew.

## Thye Wins in Minnesota

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Republican U. S. Sen. Edward J. Thye, a leader of more than ten to one over his nearest opponent in his bid for renomination in early returns from Tuesday's Minnesota primary.

William Carlson led in the race, for the Democratic-Farmer-Labor rafter for the Senate nomination.

## Hop Growers Ask Brannan to Invoke Price Supports Quickly

By LILLIE L. MADSEN  
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MT. ANGEL—Charles F. Brannan, U. S. secretary of agriculture, is going to be busy reading his mail for the next few days if all the hop growers who attended a meeting here Tuesday night carry out their intentions as they left the meeting.

The majority of the more than 75 growers, who were present, agreed to wire Brannan urging him to set up a hop support price immediately. "In line with supports on other farm commodities,"

Marshall Swearingin, president of the Oregon Farm Bureau, who was present at the meeting, gave his support to the growers. Fred Stadel and Harvey Gearing both of Silvertown, who were responsible for calling the Tuesday night meeting, reported that they had talked with Brannan Tuesday afternoon by telephone, and that he had not discouraged them, although he made no promises. Brannan told the Silverton men that James Patton, national Farmers Union president, had called him from Denver, Colo. also on Tuesday to discuss the hop situation. The two, he said, would confer further on the matter later in the week.

While some of the growers expressed discouragement over the hop situation, the majority expressed strong encouragement that a support would come in time to help with this year's hop harvest. Unless the government helps raise the present price of hops, growers say they cannot afford to harvest the remainder of the present crop.

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### Mitchell, Cain Hold Leads In Washington

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## Texas Demos Put Adlai On Ballot, But Back Ike

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## Senator Wins Renomination By Landslide

MILWAUKEE (AP)—Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy won a smashing primary election victory Tuesday night that gave him the GOP senatorial nomination and rousing support from the voters in his campaign to root Communists from government.

His chief opponent, Len Schmitt, bitterly conceded McCarthy's nomination at 11:50 p.m., as vote returns across the state indicated a landslide for the 42-year-old senator.

Schmitt said in his statement: "The result of this election is an appalling thing. x x x What is important is that a man with the most corrupt record ever made by a Wisconsin senator is overwhelmingly endorsed by Wisconsin voters."

At the home of a close friend at Appleton, Wis., a weary but happy McCarthy accepted the nomination.

"I don't see any real need for a statement. The people of Wisconsin have spoken for me. They have given full endorsement to my campaign to rid the government of subversive forces that would destroy it."

Only a little more than a third of the state's 3,224 precincts had been counted when Schmitt conceded.

Later, the scoreboard showed 1,514 precincts out of 3,224: McCarthy 81,238; Schmitt 67,508.

McCarthy had piled up more than twice the number of votes received by all five of his Republican opponents and the two candidates for the Democratic senatorial nomination.

On the Democratic side, Thomas Fairchild of Verona held a two-to-one lead over Henry Reuss of Milwaukee for the senatorial nomination.

Rep. Murdock Victor PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP)—Rep. John R. Murdock, chairman of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, appeared assured of renomination Tuesday night as he piled up an overwhelming 6,046 vote lead over his nearest opponent in Arizona's first congressional district.

Returns from 100 complete precincts and 130 incomplete out of the state's 504 gave Murdock 15,594 to 7,548 for Ralph Watkins, Buckeye car dealer.

Joe Halldman, Phoenix insurance man, rolled up a 2,009-vote lead over State Sen. Sam J. Head in the race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination.

Barry Goldwater of Phoenix held a 7 to 1 margin in his sweep toward the Republican nod to the U. S. Senate.

## Rasnick New Detroit Mayor

Nolan P. Rasnick was elected mayor of the new city of Detroit at a meeting Tuesday evening of the newly formed city council.

Also at the meeting the problem of city water was discussed but no conclusions reached. A total of eight basic ordinances were passed by the council to aid the management of government for the city which covers over 500 acres.

Mrs. Bradford Humphries was elected to the post of city recorder. Other members of the council include aldermen Lee Howland, Jacob Fischer, Ray Johnson and R. O. Russell. Next meeting for the council is to be held Monday evening.

### Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	68	45	trace
Portland	68	43	trace
San Francisco	69	46	trace
Chicago	90	56	—
New York	72	47	—

Willamette River—3.3 feet.  
FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem):  
Partly cloudy today and tonight with some early morning fog. A little warmer today with the highest temperature near 74, lowest tonight near 48. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. was 43 degrees.

## School Board to Add Teacher, Shift Buses

By ROBERT E. GANGWARE  
City Editor, The Statesman

Heavy enrolment at the opening of Salem public schools this week led the school board Tuesday night to authorize hiring an additional elementary teacher and a half-time junior high teacher.

The board also approved several bus and attendance shifts made necessary by dislocations at the start of the school year.

Liberty School will get the new grade school teacher to relieve overloaded first and second grades in which 34 and 39 pupils, respectively, were counted Tuesday. Since Pringle's first grade is also a big one, some pupils will be transported from there to Liberty, it was decided.

The half-time teacher is needed at Parrish Junior High where an unexpected high enrolment of 1,117 has been counted. In the board's planning last spring, 12 additional teachers were hired.

Board members at their meeting last night at the Public School Administration Building also decided to lighten the first grades at Baker and McKinley Schools by providing bus transportation to Bush School for first graders and a few Baker third graders who live near the south and west boundaries of Bush's Pasture. This will mean for Bush a fourth first grade room and an additional teacher, to be obtained from Highland School where the enrolment permits.

Principal bus route change permits bus travel to Leslie Junior High for South Salem pupils as close in as Madonna Avenue. Originally it was not planned to transport them. Another change enables junior high students of the East Vista Avenue area to take the school bus from Hoyt Street and Pringle Road.

The board instructed its clerk to notify parochial school students who have been using public school buses as paying passengers that the service may have to be discontinued in areas where bus loads reach capacity. State law allows transport of private students on public school buses when seats are available. Transportation Director W. J. Buck told the board that Northeast Salem and some other bus routes may reach capacity very soon.

## New Series of Atomic Tests Due in Pacific

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Defense Department and Atomic Energy Commission announced Tuesday a new series of atomic weapons tests will be held at the Eniwetok proving grounds in the mid-Pacific this fall.

The announcement said the new tests will be "toward the development of atomic weapons."

However, there have been reports that at least some preliminary form of the hydrogen "bomb," reportedly a thousand times more powerful than the nuclear fission weapon, might be tried out.

Joint Task Force 132, which began forming last winter, will conduct the test under the command of Maj. Gen. Percy W. Clarkson.

The announcement said that "only official observers of the United States government and members of the task force will be represented at the tests."

## Vermont Governor Wins

MONTEPELIER, Vt. (AP)—Republican Governor Lee E. Emerson was virtually assured of a second term early Wednesday as he won renomination in a close fight with State Senator Henry D. Vail.

He captured 10 of the state's 14 counties in Tuesday's primaries as he piled up 35,069 votes in complete unofficial figures.

Vail, who became a candidate by filing just before the deadline, made a strong showing in the southern part of the state to receive 32,690 votes.

## New Hampshire Winner

CONCORD, N. H. (AP)—Hugh Gregg, 34-year-old veteran and former mayor of Nashua, won the Republican nomination for governor Tuesday night on the basis of almost complete returns in the New Hampshire primary.

With only a handful of precincts still to report, Gregg had a lead of more than 25,000 over his nearest rival in the four-cornered GOP contest.

## Eccles Losing in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Sen. Arthur V. Watkins, seeking the Republican nomination for reelection, held a strong lead Tuesday night over Marriner S. Eccles in Utah's primary election.

Eccles is a former chairman of the Federal Reserve Board in the Roosevelt and Truman administrations. Watkins sought a second term in the Senate.

In the Republican gubernatorial race, Gov. J. Bracken Lee's bid for reelection amassed 10,125 votes to 2,155 for Dr. Cyril A. Callister of Salt Lake City.

## John Metzger Leads

DENVER (AP)—John W. Metzger, fiery former attorney general took a long early lead Tuesday night for the Democratic nomination for governor in Colorado's primary elections.

Metzger, a personal friend of President Truman, polled 7,650 votes in the first 257 of 1,650 precincts to report in the light vote. State Sen. Ben Beoff of Denver will be second with 4,994.

Gov. Dan Thornton, who has been active in the Eisenhower campaign, was unopposed for Republican renomination.

### BASEBALL

League	City	Score
Western International	At Salem 2, Wenatchee 1 (11 inn.)	1-0
	At Vancouver 2, Spokane 1	1-0
	At Victoria 3, Levenson 0	3-0
Pacific Coast League	At San Francisco 3-8, Portland 4-12	1-2
	At Sacramento 4-3, Oakland 8-10	1-1
	At Hollywood 1, Seattle 0	1-0
American League	At San Diego 3, Los Angeles 3	1-1
	At St. Louis 5, New York 4	1-0
	At Cleveland 6, Philadelphia 1	1-0
National League	At Chicago 2-3, Washington 3-2	1-1
	At Detroit 4, Boston 3 (11 inn.)	1-0
	At Brooklyn 1, Chicago 7	1-0
Other	At New York 10, Pittsburgh 4	1-0
	At Boston 1-0, Cincinnati 0-2	1-0
	At Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 1	1-0