

SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

The manufacture of woolen goods in Oregon (aside from home spinning and weaving) began at Salem when the Willamette Woolen Manufacturing Company began to operate about 1857 at a plant in North Salem on the site of the present Lamer Warehouse. It got its power from North Mill Creek which had been given a steady flow of water by connecting it with the Santiam River near Stayton. This mill flourished until it was burned on May 3, 1876. How efforts were made to resume woolen manufacture here, and how local citizens backed Thomas Kay to establish a new mill in Salem, are related in an article by Alfred L. Lomax in the June Oregon Historical Quarterly: "Thomas Kay Woolen Mill Co.: A Family Enterprise."

Lomax, who is professor of business at the state university, has made a very thorough study of Oregon woolen mills and written extensively on the subject. This article on the Kay mill is the latest in the series he has done on various mills, many of which are no longer functioning.

What brought success to local efforts after a series of failures was the readiness of Thomas Kay, who had learned woolen manufacture in England and had managed the Brownsville mill successfully, to invest his capital and devote his energies to a mill in Salem. A Board of Trade committee raised \$20,000 as a subsidy and the mill was established at 12th and Ferry on the site of an old tannery and oil mill property. It began operations in 1890.

The mill was successful from the start. A retail outlet (Continued on editorial page, 4)

\$32 Million In State Road Bonds Sold

PORTLAND (AP) — The State Highway Commission Friday sold \$32 million dollars of road bonds—largest single offering in its history—to Halsey Stuart & Co., Chicago.

The firm offered an interest rate of 2.30 per cent, which will yield \$3,684,560.

State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock said the commission will issue two million dollars in bonds annually for seven years and three million dollars in bonds annually for the next six years, with final issue in 1967.

The West Side Highway Association was one of four delegations which appeared before the commission Friday to urge improvements on the Pacific Highway West and the Amity-Dayton secondary road.

Among improvements asked was a new bridge at Dayton, widening between Amity and Mouth, and resurfacing south of Corvallis.

Baldock suggested the commission appropriate \$3,200 to make a film recording of construction of the Portland-Salem expressway.

127 Precincts In County for Next Election

There will be 127 precincts in Marion County at the next election, County Clerk Henry Mattson announced Friday.

The total represents an increase of 17, necessitated because of too-heavy registration at some of the existing precincts. Eight of the new divisions are in Salem, nine elsewhere in the county.

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No One Can Say George Didn't Try to Deliver

DOWNIEVILLE, Calif. (AP) — Contractor George Miller of Reno sued his best to get a bid for paving three miles of Sierra County roads.

Flying in from Nevada only minutes before the deadline for submitting bids, he circled the courthouse here in his private plane and dropped his estimate to officials below. It was filed just before closing time.

But it didn't do Miller much good. The only other bid was lower. It was accepted.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



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	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	76	51	.00
Portland	75	57	.00
San Francisco	78	57	Trace
Chicago	78	54	.13
New York	75	56	.00
Washington	74	58	.00
Willamette River	-0.2		

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today, tonight and Sunday. High today near 75 to 84, low tonight near 48 to 56. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. was 57 degrees.

16 Allies Pledge to Hold off Reds in Korea

'Where's Mess Hall?' Freed POWs Yell Latest Batch Apparently in Good Health

By MILO FARNETT
PANMUNJOM (AP) — More Allied war captives came back Saturday from the miseries and hardships of Red Korean prison camps to the warmth and bounty of their own people as the big post-armistice exchange rolled through the fourth day.

Ninety of the 400 were Americans. Some of them joked and bantered as they waited for the call to clamber down from the vehicles of their captors and join their own side.

"Where is the mess hall?" several Americans shouted.

"Say, who's leading the National League?" another yelled, and — "Are the Yankees still leading the American?"

The lightness of their quips contrasted startlingly with the deprivations and cruel treatment described by others released from Communist captivity during the past three days.

The first 100 captives released Saturday included 25 Americans, all Negroes. Most of these were from the 25th Division's 24th Regiment which was in the Korean fighting almost from the start.

The second group included Turks, South Koreans and Americans, the latter all Negroes, too.

All except one of the first Americans released appeared to be in good health. That one carried a cane and limped.

Meanwhile, the Communists announced they would turn over to the Allies Sunday 399 prisoners of

war including 112 Americans. A released American war prisoner said Saturday he felt the Communist Chinese encouraged the use of a weed — possibly marijuana — to win over some captives to Communism.

PFC Robert I. Brooks, 23-year-old Negro from Reidsville, N. C., was held in Camp 5 at Pyoktong, on the Yalu River.

The young soldier related his story of more than 2½ years in Communist hands on the fourth day of "Operation Big Switch."

Only steaming hot water marred the smooth exchange operation.

Pvt. Willie J. Rudd, 24, Los Angeles, also told of the weed smoking.

Rudd said that at one time in Camp 1 the Chinese put about 50 men in a special narcotics ward away from the other men.

Rudd said the men sometimes referred to the weed as marijuana but he was not sure what it was. He said the plant grew about five or six feet high and had little seeds on it.

"It seemed to make them feel good" when they smoked it, Rudd said.

Brooks, with the 2nd Division when he was captured on Dec. 1, 1950, said the Chinese "could have stopped" the use of the weed "if they had really wanted to."

Busy Little Hands Build Miniature Church



OAK GROVE — Children at the Oak Grove Chapel held graduation exercises here Friday climaxing two weeks of Bible school during which a miniature of their church was constructed by the primary group. Shown above with the model church are (left to right, standing) Kathleen Cadie, Eva Jean McRae, Ann Farmer, Elsie McRae, Arlie Jean Vaughan and (seated) Linda Batty. (Additional church news on Page 7).

Dry Weekend On Schedule In Mid-Valley

A cloudy, but rainless, weekend is predicted for the mid-valley by the Weather Bureau. Temperatures are expected to be moderate.

Moist air from the ocean is predicted to result in thunder clouds over mountain areas and morning drizzles for the coast. However, the sun is expected to break through along the coast in the afternoon.

Today's high temperature, says the weatherman, will be 82 to 84 compared with Friday's top reading of 76.

Honors Given For Growing Strawberries

By LILLIE L. MADSEN
Farm Editor, The Statesman
PORTLAND (AP) — Bernard Smith, Woodburn, route 2, was introduced as the second high strawberry producer in the Oregon-Washington Five Ton Strawberry Club, at its first annual banquet at Multnomah Hotel here Friday night.

Smith produced 7.69 ton of Northwest variety to the acre, and was topped only by Carl Pierson of Hillsboro, who produced 7.8 ton of Marshalls to win high honors.

The dinner, honoring the 23 charter members of the club, was sponsored by the Oregon-Washington Strawberry Council, organized in May to encourage heavy production of strawberries per acre, following a forecast by processors that "Oregon would be out of the strawberry growing business in two years unless production per acre was increased."

Gerard Matson, Wilsonville (Clackamas County) was third high with seven tons per acre.

Marion, Clackamas and Washington counties each had five members in the club. Marion County's members, other than Smith, included Carl Nibler, Gervais; Onas Olson, 665 Chemawa Road, Salem; G. P. Conner, St. Paul, and Ernest Reding, Brooks.

Certificates were presented by E. L. Peterson, state director of agriculture.

Joe Fisher, president of the strawberry council, reported that Oregon's average production for 1952 was 3,420 ton per acre, Washington's 4,320 and California's 12,240.

More than 250 attended the banquet.

Logger Killed In Bend Area

BEND (AP) — Donald J. Johnson, 24, Bend, was fatally injured in a logging accident Friday 65 miles southeast of here in the Silver Lake area.

Home Razed While Family On Vacation

AUMSVILLE — Fire destroyed the T. W. Edwards home early Friday while the family vacationed at the beach.

The Edwards home is two miles southeast of Aumsville and 13 miles from Salem.

Jerry Roberts, assistant chief of Aumsville Fire Department, said origin of the blaze was known. All contents of the house were destroyed as were a garage and a tractor.

The family includes three school-age children.

Norblad in Salem, Lauds Ike For Halting 'Spending Spree'

Reversal of the national spending spree that had been in progress for 20 years was cited as one of the outstanding accomplishments of President Eisenhower and the last Congress by U. S. Rep. Walter Norblad, 1st Oregon District, who arrived in Salem Friday.

Norblad made the trip to Oregon by automobile accompanied by Mrs. Norblad and their son. They will occupy a new log home in the Stayton area pending their return to Washington, D. C., late in the year.

"First of all," Norblad said, "Congress faced obligations of more than \$90,000,000,000 and these obligations had to be met." He emphasized that former President Truman's proposed budget was reduced approximately \$12,000,000,000.

"The Eisenhower administration stepped into an awful mess last January," Norblad said.

Norblad said cabinet members and White House aides hardly knew their telephone numbers before they were called before congressional committees and questioned regarding future policies of the new administration.

Norblad also disclosed that three members of a subcommittee of the civil functioning committee of the House of Representatives will be in Salem in September. It is this committee, Norblad said,

Signing Revealed; U.S. Also Assents To Separate Pact

By MAX HARRELSON
UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (AP) — The 16 Allied countries with forces in truce-bound Korea have signed a declaration pledging to fight promptly together against any new Red attack there.

But Britain and Canada, both signers, hedged their commitments Friday night in statements from their Foreign Office spokesmen.

Both these British Commonwealth countries, in the first reaction to the announcement of the declaration here Friday, said the circumstances of any new aggression would dictate their course of action when the time comes. Both appeared to be concerned about the consequences of engaging Red China on the China mainland.

One section of the declaration, referring to the possibility of renewed attacks, said: "The consequences of such a breach of the armistice would be so grave that, in all probability, it would not be possible to confine hostilities within the frontiers of Korea."

This appeared to be a warning of possible air attacks on Red China or perhaps a naval blockade.

The Canadian Foreign Office spokesman in Ottawa said that Canada would not be committed in advance to strike at Red China in retaliation for any new aggression in Korea.

A spokesman at the British Foreign Office in London, reacting quickly to the announcement here, said that Britain, a signer, was not committed in advance to "any precise course of action" in Korea. He said future circumstances would determine what the British would do.

The declaration was turned over to U. N. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold as part of a special report by the United States government, acting as head of the unified command in Korea.

It was signed in Washington July 27 but not published at the time.

Reds Decree Death of 10 North Koreans

LONDON (AP) — Moscow Radio announced Saturday death sentences have been imposed on 10 top North Korean officials accused of plotting armed rebellion and plotting for the United States.

Two other North Korean officials were jailed.

The sentences were handed down by the Military Collegium of the North Korean Supreme Court following a purge trial in the Red tradition with all 12 accused "confessing" guilt.

Former Justice Minister Lee Sung Yop, accused as the ringleader in the purported plot, headed the list of those sentenced to die.

Man Killed in Gun Duel With Arresting Officer at Roseburg

ROSEBURG (AP) — A city policeman and a part-time cab driver duelled with pistols here Friday when the officer attempted to make an arrest for disorderly conduct.

The driver, Loran Kenneth Arthur, 32, Roseburg, was killed and Patrolman Carl Smith, 27, was wounded twice.

Arthur, carrying a gun in a holster, was escorted from a hotel by Smith. Outside, Arthur pulled

the gun and fired, the bullet striking the officer in the leg. Arthur fired again as the officer took refuge behind a parked car and the second bullet hit Smith in the back.

When Arthur started around the car after Smith, the policeman opened fire. The bullet struck Arthur in the chest, killing him.

Smith said Arthur apparently had been drinking. An inquest was ordered.

Communist Rioters Fail in Try to Halt Food Program; Ringleaders Tossed in Jail

By DAN DE LUCE
BERLIN (AP) — Communists rioted in West Berlin late Friday, but police commandos and water cannon crushed attacks by 900 Red storm troopers against American food relief for hungry East Germans.

Three bloody riots flared simultaneously at food give-away points in the U. S. and French sectors. More than 400 police commandos, reinforced with water cannon, charged the defiant Communist demonstrators.

Thirty rioters, five with broken heads, were hauled off to jail and hundreds fled back to nearby Soviet territory.

The West Berlin police who smashed back 8,000 rioting Communists at the food distribution centers last Tuesday, were tipped off in advance that the Reds planned new trouble Friday.

The hottest battle was waged on Princes Allee in the French sector. Police blasted 500 violent Reds there with water cannon, high pressure nozzles mounted on revolving turrets of trucks, and then closing in with flailing clubs.

Two thousand Berliners homeward bound from work after 5 p. m. watched this riot continue for 20 minutes before the Communists were completely routed. Fourteen ringleaders were arrested.

This second outbreak in West Berlin in four days was staged on orders of East German Communist leaders. They were seeking to destroy at all costs the 15 million dollar American free food program for the hungry in Soviet-occupied Germany.

But Red terror and plunder have failed to halt the huge project. The total of packages distributed zoomed toward the 2 million mark.

Africa to Buy U.S.-Owned Surplus Wheat

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government, departing from its help-business policy, ventured into the wheat export business Saturday rather than risk the loss of a sale of American grain.

The Agriculture Department announced it has agreed to sell 2,952,000 bushels of surplus government-owned wheat to the Union of South Africa.

The department said the sale was contrary to a policy adopted by Secretary of Agriculture Benson to encourage such sales through private trade channels.

The department explained, however, that the South African government said it had been unable to deal with private exporters and for that reason had not become a consistent customer for U. S. wheat.

Detroit Area Forest Fires Under Control

DETROIT (AP) — A rash of small forest fires was under control Friday in the Detroit area and an aerial search is slated for Saturday to check on the condition of the burns.

Nearly all of them were "spot" fires, caused by lightning that speckled the North Santiam Canyon early Thursday.

Latest fire was reported Friday afternoon in the Straight Creek area. Four rangers responded and stayed through Friday night.

Fifteen men from Ercil Wilson Logging Co. fought a blaze in thick slash in the Parkette Creek area for five hours Thursday. Early detection by a watchman was credited with preventing greater spread.

Six rangers had a snag fire under control Friday at the head of Box Canyon, 10 miles by trail from the nearest road. Five men remained there Friday night.

Other fires were under control near Breitenbush, Fay Lake and Kinney Ridge. Three men were still at Bruno Mountain, late Friday.

Korean Veterans Dock at Seattle

SEATTLE (AP) — The transport Gen. Hugh Gaffey arrived here Friday with 1,245 passengers from the Far East, most of them Army veterans from Korea.

SUFFOCATES IN FIRE

LA GRANDE (AP) — Guy Gordon Hamilton, 49, suffocated in a smoke filled apartment Friday—the first fire fatality here in 28 years.

Fatal Injuries Disclosed in New Autopsy

Death of 4-year-old Kenneth Cross was attributed to "multiple bruises about the face and body and a possible injury to the neck," it was revealed Friday in a pathologist's report to Kenneth Brown, Marion County district attorney.

Just how the little boy, a ward of the court who'd been living with foster parents near Pratum, sustained these injuries is the subject of an intensive investigation, Brown said.

The autopsy late Thursday was a result of a request by Brown and Marion County Sheriff Denver Young for a more extensive check of the body than an earlier post mortem. The boy lapsed into a coma last Friday, reportedly after a fall.

Being held in the Marion County juvenile ward is a 17-year-old companion of the boy.

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BASEBALL

Western International	
At Salem 4, Wenatchee 6	
At Calgary 1, Spokane 9	
At Washington 12, St. Louis 3	
At Edmonton 10, Lewiston 2	
At Victoria 12, Vancouver 12	

Coast League	
At Portland 1, Los Angeles 4	
At Holywood 3, San Diego 2	
At Sacramento 5-7, Oakland 1-3	
At San Francisco 5, Seattle 3	

American League	
At New York 5, Chicago 1	
At Boston 4, Cleveland 2	
At Philadelphia 3, Detroit 1	

National League	
At Chicago 4, Philadelphia 5	
At St. Louis 2, New York 1	
At Cincinnati 4, Brooklyn 9	
At Milwaukee 5, Pittsburgh 2	

Radar as Traffic Check Assured Of Court Test; New Arrests Made

Is it legal to arrest drivers with radar?

This question may be answered on a lower court level at least Oct. 9.

"A 'test case' on the much-discussed legality of radar arrests appeared certain Friday when Mrs. Evelyn J. Franz, 4400 N. River Rd., pleaded innocent in Municipal Court to a speeding charge.

She was one of six motorists arrested Thursday—first day of radar arrests in the city—after city police clocked her car on the radar traveling 40 miles an hour in a 25 mile zone.

Attorney for Mrs. Franz, Lawrence Osterman, said Friday night he would fight the charge in municipal court Oct. 9 chiefly on the grounds that radar arrests are "contrary" to the Oregon speed trap law.

If Judge Douglas Hay finds radar arrests legal, Mrs. Franz could not appeal the decision unless the fine and court costs exceeded \$20.

However, the defendant could request a review by a higher court, which would land the case in circuit court. The next step would be the supreme court.

Opinions are divided as to whether or not the radar speed checking device falls under the state's speed trap law.

The 1951-52 edition of "Motor Vehicle Laws of Oregon" reads as follows:

"A speed trap within the meaning of this section, is a particular section of, or distance on, any highway the length of which has been or is measured for distance and marked off or otherwise designated or determined, and the limits of which are within the vision of an officer or officers who calculate the speed of a vehicle passing through such speed trap by using the elapsed time during which such vehicle travels between the entrance and exit of such speed trap."

Defenders of radar point out that neither distances nor time are measured in using the device, but an instantaneous "reading" is taken of the car's speed as it passes through the radar "beam."

The only other motorist of the six arrested Thursday to appear in Municipal Court yesterday pleaded guilty and was fined \$10 by Judge Hay. He was Jay E. Duncan, 1016 Kingwood Dr.

Meanwhile, arrests by radar continued Friday. Three drivers were cited to court.