The Oregon Statesman

FOUNDED 1851

103RD YEAR 4 SECTIONS—32 PAGES The Oregon Statesman, Salem, Oregon, Friday, September 18, 1953 PRICE 5c No. 172

Nehru Levels Attacks at U.S. Tactics

Salem on CD's 'Probable' List of Atom-Bomb Targets

By STERLING F. GREEN

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government Thursday night disclosed for the first time its official list of the 193 American cities which are rated as probable targets of atomic attack. It named 70 "critical" target areas, including centers of industry and the nation's capital.

The Federal Civil Defense Administration issued the list — six weeks after Russia reported its mastery of the hydrogen bomb — to spur the nationwide home defense effort.

The announcement came just two days after city legal officers, at a conference here, reported that some cities are considering abandonment of civil defense programs because of "inadequate" federal support.

The report said it "does not purport to include all possible targets. "For security reasons," it said, "certain targets that have national or military significance, including the atomic energy installations, have not been listed."

The critical targets listed Thursday night embrace a population of 67,750,982.

The list supersedes one adopted, but never made public, on Feb. 4 of last year. The defense agency sent the 1952 list only to governors and to state and city civil defense directors. Thursday night it requested that all copies of the old list be destroyed by burning.

The new document adds three "critical" targets to the old one: Binghamton, N. Y., Evansville, Ind., and then Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton area of Pennsylvania which have grown industrially.

All capitals of states, territories, and possessions are named, but not as critical targets unless they are industrially important. Other cities having 50,000 population or more are grouped in the non-critical bracket.

Some Other Areas

The defense agency said that while the list contains the "most probable targets for atomic attack, other areas might also be struck."

In a foreword, it added:

"The capabilities of modern weapon of mass destruction are so great that a successful attack would cause damage and casualties far beyond the resources of any area.

"Also, this list does not include all possible targets for biological or chemical attack. This type of attack could be employed against any part of the country, rural as well as urban.

Pleads for Defense

"Therefore, the resources of the entire country outside the listed target areas, as well as within them must be mobilized for civil defense."

The 70 critical areas are cities or population centers classed as standard metropolitan areas, each having at least 40,000 manufacturing workers and at least one city with a population of 50,000 together with its closely-linked suburban areas. Washington, D. C., was included "because of its importance as the nation's capital."

The critical list includes Portland, Ore.-Wash. and Seattle, Wash.

Here are other probable target areas listed by states:

Oregon: Salem.

Washington: Olympia, Spokane, Tacoma.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Wharton Says Capital Facilities Marks City

Salem is one of 193 American cities rated as a "probable" target of atomic attack, according to the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

Although not a "critical" target such as Portland, the enemy might try to knock out the state capital, Wallace (Buck) Wharton, director of Marion County Civil Defense, pointed out.

Salem also might become an alternate target for Portland or a dumping spot for an enemy plane jettisoning its bombs, he said.

Marion County's civil defense is in good shape, Wharton said, and added that there are 7200 persons in the county registered in the program.

"This is better than 7 per cent of the population. The national average is less than 4 per cent."

Mayor Alfred Loucks pointed out that Salem is ahead of many cities in civil defense expenditures and said "Salem had long realized it was a possible target because it was the state capital."

Siamese Twin Girls Survive Surgery; Doctors Optimistic

By W. B. RAGSDALE Jr.

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—Eight surgeons separated Louisiana's Siamese twins Thursday and a doctor said the odds "look good" that both will survive.

"So far the operation is satisfactory," Dr. L. L. Weismuller said. Although the eight-week-old girls "are definitely not out of danger. I would think infection is the chief danger."

The twins' soft-spoken father, Mayor Ashton J. Mouton of LaFayette, thankfully said:

"God almighty has been very generous so that we could have our two little girls perfectly normal.

"The prayers offered by so many good people helped make the operation a success," he added.

Mouton and his wife waited in a private room during the operation with a Bible in their hands.

Each 20 minutes they received a progress report on the 2-hour and 55-minute operation that separated their daughters.

A staff surgeon said he believes a new page will be written in medical history, if both girls survive. To his knowledge, he said, never before have both twins survived such an operation.

The girls were joined near the base of the spine. The sacrum, a part of the lower vertebrae, was fused. They also were joined in the dural sac, covering of the spinal cord at the lower end, and shared a common lower intestinal tract.

Split Into Teams

The operation began at 8:25 a.m. The surgeons first divided the fused vertebrae. Then they separated the dural sac and the intestinal tract.

The team of eight surgeons then split into two teams of four each to complete the operation on each girl individually.

The points of operation were closed on both infants without skin grafts.

The operation was over at 11:20 a.m. and the girls were placed in separate cribs for the first time.

Mrs. Mouton looked at them and said, "they look wonderful."

The girls, Carolyn Anne and Catherine Anne, were born July 22 in Lafayette. During the delivery, Carolyn stopped breathing but was revived by artificial respiration.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Some lumber mills and plywood plants in Oregon have reduced their operating time because of reduced demand for their products. A real jolt came, however, with news that Weyerhauser was cutting its work-week at its extensive Springfield operations to four days for lack of box cars for shipping out its manufactures.

The statement of an executive was to the effect that the company had accumulated as much inventory as it had space for and would have to scale down output until the accumulation could be worked off.

Other complaints about car shortages have been voiced by shippers along the Southern Pacific, frequently accompanied with comments that the northern lines serving the Willamette Valley through the Oregon Electric had a sufficiency of cars to meet all demands of their customers.

Swinging into action for the relief of shippers, the state public utilities commissioner has followed up previous conferences, phone calls and telegrams with a blunt letter to R. E. Hallawell, general manager of the Southern Pacific lines, reviewing the critical situation and pointedly asking what the SP is going to do about it. The letter, signed by Clifford W. Ferguson, assistant director of the rail division of the PUC, takes note of a report that the SP stopped accepting empties at El Paso on or about Aug. 20 (when car rental rates for foreign cars were raised to $2.40 per diem), and that if this had not been

(Concluded on editorial Page 4)

Mercury Dips Near Freezing

Salem came in for some cool fall weather early Thursday morning. The mercury dipped down to 38 degrees just after sunrise.

The touch of fall fell on Central Oregon a little heavier. Bend recorded 28 degrees and Redmond 32.

Forecast for today and Saturday is mostly fair weather and warmer temperatures, but the weatherman warned that the first frost was not far off.

DRAFT TEST SLATED

WASHINGTON (AP)—Selective Service announced Thursday its fourth series of college qualification tests will be held on Nov. 19 this year and April 22, 1954.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH

"SOMEBODY'S GONNA BE SURPRISED—I'M POOPED!"

Oregon Airman on Ship Returning POWs

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — Twenty-three more former prisoners of war in Korea are scheduled to arrive at this base at 7 a. m. PDT Friday.

The list of arrivals include:

Airman 1. C. Eugene E. Evers, Forest Grove, Ore.

Capt. John F. Dick, Kalama, Wash.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	74	38	.00
Portland	72	44	.00
San Francisco	76	59	.00
Chicago	78	53	trace
New York	72	57	.00

Willamette River —3.2 feet.

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly fair today, tonight and Saturday, except for patches of early morning fog. Slightly warmer today with the high near 80 and the low tonight near 40. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. was 49 degrees.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1		
This Year	Last Year	Normal
trace	.20	.75

Panther Hunt Yields Only 'Stock, Kitty

MONTEREY PARK, Calif. (AP) —A hunt here Thursday for a big, black panther, netted two skunks, eight rabbits, five calves, seven horses and a cat—but no panther. Mrs. Louis Herman was the first to report seeing the panther.

"I looked out of my kitchen window and there he was, up on the side of the hill, with his long black tail waving back and forth," she said. "I thought 'My gosh, cats can't get that big.'"

Policeman Richard Brammer found what he said were "cat paw prints as big as your hand" near a park swimming pool.

Searchers finally came on a black cat, all right. But it was the domestic variety and considerably short of the measurements supplied by those who said they saw the panther—four feet long and two feet high.

Artillery Shell Blast Kills Two at Depot

TOOELE, Utah (AP) — An artillery shell exploded and killed a woman and a man and injured at least six others at the Tooele Ordnance Depot Thursday.

The 76 mm shell exploded while being handled in a building where unpacking operations are carried on.

Mint Oil Production Far Below '52 Mark

PORTLAND (AP) — Peppermint oil production dropped off in Oregon this year, the Agriculture Department reported Thursday.

This year's crop is estimated at 560,000 pounds, 160,000 below last year's total. Rust damage reduced the estimated yield to 40 pounds per acre.

Partner Plans Own Case in Assault Trial

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — Richard E. Thomson said Thursday he will act as his own attorney when he appears in Circuit Court next Tuesday for a pre-sentence hearing on a charge of assault with intent to kill his business partner, James K. Meuller.

Thomson pleaded guilty to the charge, but said he will call character witnesses when he appears for sentencing.

He admitted striking Meuller over the head with a piece of pipe a short time before their car plunged from the Coast Highway and went over a cliff a week ago and landed up rocks on the beach at Cape Foulweather.

Thompson gave no clear motive for the attack on Meuller. He said only that an "obsession hit me" and he denied that a $10,000 insurance policy the partners in an automobile business had on each other's life was a factor.

Police started investigating what appeared to be an ordinary accident after Meuller, delirious with injuries in a hospital, cried out: "Dick, why do you want to kill me."

Thomson said in his confession that the attack occurred while he and his partner were driving back from Portland early last Thursday.

The two men fought, but Thomson said he suddenly became sorry, quit fighting and started to take Meuller to a doctor. However, Thomson said, he lost control of the car and it went off the road and down a steep bank 500 feet above the ocean. Thomson said he fell out at 50 feet, and Meuller was thrown out 350 feet down. The car went on over the cliff.

Report Test of 'New A-Bomb' Red Officials

By RICHARD KASISCHKE

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union announced Friday it has successfully tested some "new type" atomic bombs in recent weeks.

It added Russia hoped a ban would be placed on all types of mass destruction weapons and is looking into prospects for peaceful use of atomic energy in industry.

A dispatch from the Soviet news agency Tass published in the government newspaper Izvestia said the successful experimental tests had taken place.

Follow "Peace Plan"

The dispatch said that although the Soviet Union was able to give attention to the production of atom weapons, the nation also followed a policy of strengthening peace and trying to reach agreement with other countries on the prohibition of atomic, hydrogen bombs and other kinds of weapons for mass destruction.

No details were given about the "new type" tested.

Tass said the Soviet Union wanted strict international control and a "realization of these decisions" to ban atomic weapons.

No Surprise to AEC

Meanwhile, it said, the nation is exploring the use of atomic energy for industry purposes.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Officials of the Atomic Energy Commission evinced little surprise Thursday night at Moscow's announcement that the Soviet government has successfully tested some "new type" atomic bombs in recent weeks.

"The news from Moscow tonight merely confirms our statement of Aug. 31," an AEC spokesman said.

SERVICEMEN RETURN

SEATTLE (AP) — The Navy Transport Marine Serpent docked here Thursday with 2,908 servicemen from the Far East.

Picking Done, School Next Job

Weighing in their last bean buckets and cashing in their chips Thursday at Oak Crest Farm, two miles north of Salem on Wallace Road, are these three Salem youngsters. Austin Davis, yard manager, said students harvested entire yield of 110 tons from the 18-acre yard during past three weeks. Left to right are Vernon Meighen, who attends Englewood School; June Henry, Salem High; John Gallagher, Parrish Junior High, and the weigher, June Nolan, Wallace Road resident. (Statesman photo.)

Idanha First In State to Fill Chest's Quota

Idanha became the first town in Oregon to meet its 1953 Community Chest quota, the Marion Count chest announced Thursday after a check with state headquarters.

The Santiam canyon community has been first in the state several years and makes the achievement a matter of civic pride, said chest executive C. A. Kells in Salem. This year the town chest leaders chafed only at the wait for chest contribution cards from the county office.

Idanha by Thursday had collected over $500, which was its quota. Co-chairmen in its solicitation were Warren A. Stoll, Huber Ray, T. J. Skidmore and Florence Harris.

Elsewhere in the county each town is completing its organization for fund drives, most of which will start soon. The Rev. David Ferguson, Pratum, is county chest president.

Car Crushed As Lumber Load Shifts

A heavily-loaded lumber truck tipped over and squashed the rear half of a parked car about 7:15 Thursday night near the corner of 12th and Court Streets. No one was hurt.

Milo F. Mills, Aumsville, driver of the huge truck, told police the load apparently shifted as he turned from 12th street onto Court. He said he was going about 15 miles an hour.

The car, a 1950 Ford owned by Paul Ross Benage, 1385 N. 18th St., was parked in the 1100 block of Court Street. The combined weight of the truck and lumber completely crushed the car from the doors back.

Gasoline from the truck's tank spread over the street and firemen were called to hose down the pavement.

A wrecker righted the truck and it was reloaded. The car was towed away.

PECKS SEPARATED

HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Mrs. Gregory Peck said Thursday night that she and the movie star are separated and have been since last January. The actor is in Munich, Germany, making a movie.

Churchill Vacations Along French Coast

CAP D'AIL, France (AP) — Prime Minister Churchill arrived Thursday for a 15-day vacation on the sunny Mediterranean coast.

Paraphernalia for his favorite hobby, painting, was much in evidence in the more than 800 pounds of luggage belonging to the Prime Minister and his entourage.

Ike, Possible Justice Fish In Colorado

PINE, Colo. (AP) — President Eisenhower fished for trout here Thursday with Denver Federal Circuit Judge Orie L. Phillips, who has been mentioned frequently as the chief executive's possible choice to fill the U. S. Supreme Court vacancy.

Phillips told a reporter after he returned to his home in Denver Thursday night, however, that Eisenhower had not discussed the court vacancy with him, "directly or indirectly."

"I don't think I should talk about it at all beyond saying that," Phillips added.

Earlier, the jurist told reporters at Pine:

"I'd like to help you, but I just can't. This is no time for me to talk."

He made that statement when asked if he were being considered for the court post.

Newsmen were cautioned by the White House not to make too much of Phillips' presence on the fishing trip.

Following the death of Chief Justice Fred Vinson, Sen. Anderson (D—NM) proposed Judge Phillips as the successor. Sens. Carlson (R—Kan) and Chavez are other supporting him.

The Kansas and Colorado Bar Associations recently have endorsed Phillips for the vacancy.

BASEBALL

American League

At New York 1, St. Louis 7
At Boston 2, Detroit 1
At Philadelphia 4, Cleveland 5
At Washington 3, Chicago 2

National League

At St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 4
At Chicago 4, Philadelphia 16
(Only games).

Aged Woman Missing on Portland Trip

Statesman News Service

FOUR CORNERS—An 83-year-old Four Corners woman who dropped out of sight in Portland Tuesday was the object of search Thursday by police and her family.

She is Mrs. Katherine M. Scott, mother of Melvin Scott of 3835 Mahrt Ave., Four Corners.

Scott said he put his mother on the bus in Salem Tuesday afternoon to visit a friend in Portland and she has not been heard from since.

The bus driver told Scott that he remembered helping the elderly woman from the bus in Portland. That was the last time she was seen.

Mrs. Scott's luggage, which had been checked on the bus in Salem, had not been picked up at the Portland depot, her family said.

Mrs. Scott is just over five feet tall and was wearing a light colored full length coat and black hat when last seen.

5-Cent Letter Rate Proposed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. Carlson (R-Kan.) Thursday tossed out for public reaction the idea of increasing the intercity postal rate on letters to 5 cents and sending most of them by air.

Carlson, who heads the Senate Post Office Committee, told a news conference that such a boost would bring in about 330 million dollars more revenue a year.

That would go a long way toward wiping out the Post Office Department deficit, he said, which was estimated at 450 million dollars for the current fiscal year ending next June 30.

The 5-cent expedited service is under consideration by an 11-member advisory council to the Senate Post Office Committee.

GOOD TIME TO START

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Charles Arndt, 78, a plumber for more than 60 years, registered Thursday as a student in Los Angeles State College. His course? Plumbing.

India Block Said Flouting Will of World

By SELIG HARRISON

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Prime Minister Nehru charged Thursday that the will of nearly all Europe and Asia was flouted by the vote of the United States and its Latin American allies in the United Nations action that barred India from the Korean peace conference.

"Somehow people don't realize the countries of Asia don't propose to be ignored or by-passed, certainly not sat upon," Nehru told Parliament's lower house in a foreign affairs debate.

Criticizes Approach

He implied the United States is immature. He criticized what he called the narrow, bigoted approach of some nations to world affairs.

Avoiding a direct stand concerning Red China's counter-proposals on the makeup of the Korean conference, Nehru said "we have absolutely no desire to be there," but he held that neutral nations could help the atmosphere in the discussion of Korea's political future.

"Our only anxiety is that the political conference should succeed and that there should be a peaceful settlement in the Far East," he said.

"Live-And-Let-Live"

Warning that the great powers are "too big to be coerced by each other," the prime minister said the attitude of live-and-let-live is the only alternative to the atom bomb.

He deplored "the narrow approach to world affairs of some countries which consider everything in terms of black and white with an element of dogmatic fervor—that bigoted, almost religious approach of 'either you are with us or against us.'

"This approach, as well as recent events, have made me slightly more doubtful of any permanent settlements in the near future," he said. "We can't expect too much when statesmen's minds have that old religious fervor without the virtue of religion. Religion is all right when applied to ethics and morals, but is not good mixed up with politics."

Adlai's Peace Plan Called Appeasement

CHICAGO (AP) — The Senate Republican policy chief, Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan, charged Thursday that Adlai E. Stevenson's proposals for cold war peace negotiations with Russia represent "appeasement" and "softness toward Communism."

Furthermore, Ferguson told a news conference, he thinks he fairly well represents the thinking of the entire Republican Party on that.

It is difficult to "discover," he said, "exactly what Adlai Stevenson is advocating, but anyone who has read the speech will have to admit that the old softness toward Communism which has marred his wing of the Democratic Party is still with us."

Salem Worker To Have Trial At Portland

PORTLAND (AP) — A 26-year-old Salem cannery worker will go on trial in Federal Court here Nov. 3 on a charge of refusing to be inducted into military service.

Albert Stain pleaded innocent to the charge Wednesday. His attorney said Stain was willing to serve as a conscientious objector, but that his draft board classified him 1-A after refusing a hearing.

Stain was indicted three years ago and has since been free on bail.

McCarthy Shifts From Reds to Brunettes, Announces Plans to Marry Former Aide

By ROGER D. GREENE

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis) in a shift from Red-hunting to romance, will be married here Sept. 29 to pretty, dark-haired Jean Kerr, a former research aide in his office.

Announcement of the marriage plans came Thursday from Mrs. William P. Kerr, mother of the bride-to-be. The wedding will be held at St. Matthews (Roman Catholic) Cathedral in downtown Washington.

In New York, where McCarthy is investigating alleged Communist infiltration in the United Nations, the Wisconsin senator declined comment.

"I have nothing to add to the announcement," he said.

The names of the 43-year-old bachelor senator and his former assistant have long been linked romantically. Miss Kerr, 29, was employed in McCarthy's office from 1948 to 1952 when she quit to become a free-lance researcher and radio script writer.

An attractive brunette, she was voted the most beautiful girl at George Washington University in 1945 while she was a student in the school here. She also attended Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill.

Miss Kerr, native of Washington joined the senator's staff on her graduation from Northwestern in 1948. As a research assistant, she helped prepare material for McCarthy's various pamphlets and speeches.

Last year, during hearings on McCarthy's fitness to retain his Senate seat, it was brought out that Miss Kerr did research for the controversial booklet on housing which McCarthy sold to the Lustron Corp. for $10,000.

The bride-to-be formerly was a member of the Presbyterian Church, but has now become a Roman Catholic, McCarthy's faith.

The New York Daily News said the engagement announcement followed a stormy, two-year romance during which Miss Kerr frequently broke off their secret engagement. She returned his ring as recently as last month and they were reconciled only three days ago, the paper continued.

It said McCarthy blamed their differences on "things outsiders said." Concerning their final reconciliation, McCarthy was quoted as saying:

"She laid down a set of conditions to which I agreed.

"I said, 'What about my laying down some conditions?' but she said, 'That's all, brother.'"

Today's Statesman

(For easier reading, at the top of every page of your Statesman is the page number AND the section number. If your paper gets scattered around the breakfast table, you don't have to find the front page of a section to know which section you're reading.)

Section I
General news 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12
Radio, Television 6
Society, women's 8-9
Markets 10
Comics 11
Section II
Sports 1-2
AP News in Pictures 4
Section III
Food news 1-5
The Oatis Story 8
Valley news 10, 12
Section IV
Classified ads 1-3

Swiss Police Believe Missing Mrs. Maclean Left Country for Rendezvous With Husband

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — Mrs. Donald Maclean, who vanished last Friday, appears to have slipped out out of Switzerland for a rendezvous with her husband, himself missing from his British Foreign joffice post for 27 months.

The most impressive police search in recent Swiss history had failed Thursday night to pick up the trail of the Chicagoborn Mrs. Maclean, 37, and her three children after she parked her Chevrolet sedan in a Lausanne garage at 6:30 p. m. Friday and darted across the street toward the railway station.

Whether Mrs. Maclean met her husband in a neighboring country or was being taken to him by friends of the missing British specialist in American affairs were questions baffling police.

Maclean and Guy Burgess, a fellow diplomat who was occasionally his drinking companion, dropped out of sight on a trip from Britain to France May 26, 1951. Officials suspect that, either voluntarily or as kidnaping victims, they landed behind the Iron Curtain.

Mrs. Margaret's car was the principal clue found in the quest for her and her children, Fergus, 9; Donald, 7; and Melinda, 2.

She turned it over to the garage attendant, Marcel Micheli, about eight hours after she left her Geneva apartment, presumably to spend a weekend with a friend "from Cairo" in the Montreaux region.

After searching all the hotels and pensions in the Montreux area for some trace of Mrs. Maclean, police were almost convinced she had not been in that region.

They could not account for the eight hours between her departure from Geneva and the parking of her car in Lausanne, only about 45 miles away on the north shore of Lake Geneva.

Lausanne is a railroad communications center from which almost any point in Europe could be reached. Police have checked all border points and found no trace of the missing family.

Mrs. Maclean could have taken a train from Lausanne to Italy, France or other points in Switzerland where she could continue her journey as she wished.

With a British passport, she could enter any country.

The garage attendant, Michell said Mrs. Maclean appeared to be in a hurry to reach the railroad station. She had told him she would call for the car in about eight days.