



DALLAS—Charred wood and merchandise remains were about all that was left of Al's Shopping Center after a \$100,000 fire early Monday. Checking into the ruins in above photo is an employee of the big market, Ray Thiessen, of Dallas.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Stryker

Last week a new organization was formed ostensibly to combat "super-internationalism and Communism." It chose for its title "For America" which sounds very much like the "Pro America" organization which flourished in New Deal days and still exists though not active in Oregon. The new organization seems a lineal descendant of "America First" and seems certain to attract the support of the relics of that body. The names identify the policies which the new body will espouse. "For America" was launched at a luncheon given by Col. Robert R. McCormick of the Chicago Tribune. Co-chairmen are Robert E. Wood, who headed "America First," and Clarence E. Manion, former dean of the Notre Dame University law school, recently relieved by White House request as chairman of a committee on state-federal relations. Members of the organizing committee are Burton Wheeler, former senator from Montana, John T. Flynn, author of "The Road Ahead," Howard Buffett, former Nebraska congressman and Hamilton Fish, former congressman from New York, and Manion.

Instead of setting out as a new political party the organization plans to function in a bipartisan manner, that is, to throw its weight to candidates it favors within both the old parties. The organizers dedicated the new body to "God and country" and proclaimed a set of purposes many of which are laudable, such as: "To promote peace; To restore and uphold our constitution as our basic law," etc. But the past (Continued on editorial page, 4)

Warmer, But Cloudy, Says Weatherman

A few clouds and warmer weather are looked for in Salem today, tonight and Wednesday according to predictions by U. S. weathermen at McNary Field. The temperature is expected to be a little warmer with a high looked for today near 75 and a low tonight near 44 degrees. Temperature Monday ranged from a high of 73 to a low of 46 degrees. Midnight temperature was 53 degrees.

ANIMAL CRACKERS



"I love my wife but I wish she'd fix herself up."

Fire Levels Dallas Store; Cash Saved

DALLAS—Fire destroyed Al's Shopping Center in North Dallas shortly before dawn Monday and the owner, Al Cootie, estimated damage at around \$100,000. The store was one of the largest in the Dallas area.

Most-Wanted Con Nabbed at Seattle Home

SEATTLE (AP) — Alex Whitmore, 44, who was placed on the FBI's 10 most wanted men list five months ago, was arrested, unarmed, here Monday. Richard D. Auerbach, special agent in charge of the Seattle FBI office, said agents arrested Whitmore at an apartment house after receiving a tip from a person who recognized the fugitive from wanted circulars. Auerbach said Whitmore, wanted in connection with a Virginia assault case in 1950, had a \$50 bill sewed into the seam of his pants when apprehended. He told officers he had arrived here about two weeks ago and was working as a roofer.

Russ Ballet Stilled by Tide of Battle

PARIS (AP) — The first week of the scheduled three weeks of performances by a troupe of stars from the Russian ballet was canceled Monday. There was a strong possibility the dancers might go back to Moscow and Leningrad without ever performing a pirouette for a Paris audience. Military developments in far-off Indochina kept the stage dark. Taking no chance on incidents at the Opera House, the Cabinet decided last Friday to close the national theaters on Saturday and Sunday nights. That meant cancellation of the scheduled Saturday opening and the Sunday night performance.

Monday Premier Joseph Laniel decided the danger was not past and ordered the performances postponed. CLASHES ON BORDER JERUSALEM (AP) — The death toll in Jordan-Israel border clashes that began during the weekend rose with charges by Jordan that eight persons were killed and four wounded in new incidents Monday.

FORECAST (from U. S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Partly cloudy today, tonight and Wednesday. Little warmer today with the high near 75, low tonight near 44. Temperature at 12:01 today was 53.

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1 This Year Last Year Normal 41.21 38.81 36.50

THE WEATHER

Table with columns: Location, Max, Min, Precip. Locations include Portland, Baker, Medford, North Bend, Roseburg, San Francisco, Chicago, New York, Los Angeles, Willamette River.

Politics on Parade... Who's Running for What in May Primaries!

(Editor's note: Stories in The Oregon Statesman's exclusive Political Parade series are written by or for the candidates on invitation of this newspaper and opinions expressed therein may or may not be in accordance with The Statesman's own policy.)

Today's subject: S. EUGENE ALLEN Candidate for STATE LABOR COMMISSIONER (R.)

With the retirement from public service of Mr. Kinsley, a fine official and splendid gentleman, it is important that the Republican party nominate someone with breadth of vision, wide experience, sympathetic understanding and fine personal integrity. I have had experience in agriculture, labor relations, business management, education and public service. I was reared on a dairy farm in Deschutes County, graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in economics, served as editor of the Oregon Labor Press (AFL) for 12 years and have been secretary-manager of the Associated Restaurants of Oregon for three years. I am 39. I have served for 12 years as member of the Portland School Board and during the 1953 legislative session as state senator. The people of Oregon have established certain standards for the protection of workers. Included among these is the guarantee that every Oregon citizen shall have equal opportunity to secure employment at the job for which he is trained and qualified without regard to religion, race or color. These standards will be honored by me and the law will be upheld against any violators. I will protect the working people and their organizations in the exercise of their rights. But no organization, labor or employer, shall override the public interest nor the authority of the state. (Tomorrow: H. E. Barker.)



McKay 'Campaigning' Raises Wrath Of Newby Backers; Protest to GOP

Educational TV Has Its Day; Conferees Claim Kids Go for Learning the TV Way

By CONRAD PRATER Staff Writer, The Statesman Will kids go for television shows which don't have lots of gunfire in them? Can TV show people how to increase their incomes? What is television doing to American home life? These and many other questions were batted around with considerable vigor and understanding by some of the keenest minds in western radio and television at a conference in Salem Monday on educational television.

Reds Agree To Removal Of Wounded

GENEVA (AP) — The Communists agreed Monday to allow the French to airlift 1,300 wounded from Dien Bien Phu. Communist Vietnamese representatives at the Geneva conference said French planes and medical personnel could begin the evacuation as soon as the battlefield commanders of the two sides worked out the details. The French government in Paris immediately ordered Gen. Henri Navarre, French commander in Indochina, to contact rebel Gen. Nguyen Vo Giap to arrange the evacuation.

Truce Plans Offered by Communists

GENEVA (AP) — The Communists laid their own armistice plan for Indochina before the Geneva conference Monday and, after two sessions, the conference appeared deadlocked. Pham Van Dong, vice premier of the Vietnam regime, rejected outright the armistice plan proposed by French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault on Saturday. Dong said it could not "serve as a serious basis" for bringing peace to Indochina.

April Frosts Cut Crops by 25 Per Cent

PORTLAND (AP) — Heavy frost last month reduced Oregon's 1954 strawberry crop by more than one-fourth, the Federal Crop Reporting Service said Monday. Severe damage to tree fruits and some early planted rowcrops also was reported. The strawberry crop now is estimated at 1,360,000 36-pound crates — a drop of 26 per cent from last year's harvest of 1,827,000 crates. The report said that cherries suffered considerable damage throughout Oregon as did pears at Medford in the southern part of the state.

"If we expect TV to help Americans appreciate their cultural heritage," said Mrs. Lillian Van Loan, Oregon State College psychology department, "we must start with children's programs. Because the biggest TV audience is the four-to-five years old group." Gloria Chandler of KING-TV in Seattle said they proved there that kid viewers will even go overboard for educational TV shows, if the programs are presented "right."

"We have one program," she said, "which urges children to read and parents to tell or read their offspring's stories. The program is on each Saturday and is over by 10:30 a.m. And by noon you can't find a book by the author we feature on the program, in any library in King County. The kids really clean the shelves." KING-TV, she said, recently asked viewers to write and tell the station what they liked best about TV. The station received 35,000 replies. In nine out of 10 answers, Miss Chandler said, viewers stressed education above entertainment and nearly everybody said television was drawing the family circle tighter.

Ding Dong School, with its three and one-half million preschool viewers, was labeled by Harrison T. McClung, an educational TV expert, as one "of the

lowest-cost pre-kindergarten courses in the history of education." "By bringing children, via TV, such things as hobbies, outdoor studies, books and other activities," said Mrs. Van Loan, "we can force homes, schools and churches to be up-to-date. I know one school teacher who told me she was going to have to get a TV set, even if she couldn't afford it, because nearly every child in her class watched TV at home and she felt she had to keep up with her students."

"What about a program discussing books which have changed the thinking of mankind?" asked Dr. D. Glenn Starlin, production director of the University of Oregon radio studios. "How about programs dealing with political science, social and cultural problems, health and disease control, music appreciation and say, a program of psychology for overworked housewives?"

A day when college students would "go to school" right in their own living rooms with instructions coming from a professor 100 miles away, was envisioned by Paul A. Walker of Washington, D. C., former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission.

Educational television can take the university to the people. Such programs can advance adult literacy, aid in emotional maladjustment cases, fill in leisure time, and in general help spread the knowledge and ideas piled up in cities and universities out over the rural areas, he said.

The group meeting in the State Capitol Monday represented educators, business, industry, labor and commercial television leaders. It asked Gov. Paul Patterson to appoint a permanent statewide study committee on educational television.

Patterson, in turn, told the group educational TV was fine if some means could be devised for raising state funds for it. (Additional details on p. 6, Sec. 2.)

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W. P. Carson Named County Circuit Judge

(Photo also on page 6, Sec. 2) Wallace P. Carson, widely-known Salem attorney and active in Oregon legal circles, was appointed Monday as Marion County circuit judge to succeed the late Judge Rex Kimmel, who died May 1.

Carson's appointment came from Gov. Paul Patterson, following several days study of the matter by the governor and after meeting with a committee from the Marion County Bar Association.

Practice Since 1923 The new appointee probably will be sworn in and take over his new duties soon. The office to which he was appointed will be thrown open for an election by the people in the general election next fall.

Carson has practiced in Salem since 1923, the year he obtained his bachelor of laws degree from Willamette University law school. He was born in Salem, Jan. 14, 1901. He attended schools here and later the University of Oregon.

In Brother's Firm His father, John A. Carson, also was a prominent Salem attorney having practiced here from 1890 until his death in 1916.

Shortly after his admittance to the bar in 1923 the new appointee became associated in the practice of law with his two brothers, John and Allan Carson, both of whom are former state legislators.

Active Lawyer Carson was married to Edith E. Bragg, Nov. 19, 1929, and they have a son, Wallace P. Carson Jr., now attending Stanford University.

A former president of the Oregon State Bar Association and former president of the Marion County Bar Association, Carson currently is serving as vice-president of the county organization. He is a Republican and a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

The late Judge Kimmel succumbed in a Salem hospital following a lung operation.

QUEEN AT 'ROCK'

GIBRALTAR (AP) — Britain's royal family visited this fortress gateway to the Mediterranean, Monday on the last stop of a commonwealth tour that is taking Queen Elizabeth II and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, around the world.

City Stops Curb Cut At New High School

By ROBERT E. GANGWARE City Editor, The Statesman

Salem School District was ordered Monday night by the City Council to stop work of cutting back the curbs on Church Street and Rural Avenue in front of new North Salem High School.

Acting on a report that school officials had not obtained a city permit to alter the streets, aldermen voted to have the work stopped and a study of the situation made by City Manager J. L. Franzen.

No Permits Issued City policy has been to permit the setting back of curbs, for the purpose of head-in parking, only on streets at least 80 feet wide.

Both streets involved at the new school are 30 feet in paved width.

City Engineer J. H. Davis said his office had issued no permit for such work but he had noticed new curbs being made at the school site, apparently for head-in parking purposes.

The engineer, manager and police chief, who comprise the Traffic Safety Council, agreed at last night's City Hall meeting with the Council that this practice on a narrow street creates a traffic hazard.

Nearing Completion Engineer Davis said he thought the unauthorized curb project was nearing completion.

Some aldermen hinted they would investigate whether the school district was providing off-street parking comparable with the amount of such parking area now required by law for apartment and other construction.

City Council members after their regular meeting last night conducted another city budget session with citizen members and all but cleared the way for final hearing on a \$2 1/2 million city budget. (Additional stories on page 2, sec. 1.)

Solo Signal Links Aid for Escapees

LIMA, Ohio (AP) — A woman Monday was found guilty of aiding a jailbreak by singing "Come to Me, My Melancholy Baby" to let three prisoners know the coast was clear.

Earline Hines, 22, Cleveland, was sentenced to one to seven years in the Marysville Reformatory for Women for her part in the escape of three men from the Allen County jail here last March 28.

BASEBALL

WESTERN INTERNATIONAL (No games scheduled.) PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE (No games scheduled.) AMERICAN LEAGUE At Cleveland 8, New York 7. At Baltimore 7, Philadelphia 6. (Only games scheduled.) NATIONAL LEAGUE (No games scheduled.)

Doctor Wants Con to Use as Guinea Pig

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Dr. Negley K. Teeters of Temple University suggests that Caryl Chessman be spared the gas chamber so he can be used as a guinea pig in studying criminal behavior.

In a letter to Gov. Knight, the penal authority said Chessman, who wrote a book about his five years on San Quentin's death row, "is regarded as a brilliant man but is apparently devoid of social responsibility."

Chessman, scheduled to die in the San Quentin gas chamber Friday, "may make interesting contributions to the field of penology and even to psychiatry," Teeters said.

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Morse Ready to Assume Democrat Label To Ease Campaign, Party Leaders Believe

By A. ROBERT SMITH Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON — Sen. Wayne Morse is edging closer to membership in the Democratic party, according to top party officials who met here this past weekend. Democratic leaders who have scouted Morse on some of his recent speaking appearances around the country and who have conferred with him, privately report that the senator conveys to them this attitude:

He would prefer to remain independent of either party, but this poses the serious prospect of his being squeezed out of office between regular party candidates in his 1956 bid for re-election to the Senate. He tells Democrats he certainly will not return to the GOP and he carefully points out he has never said he would not ultimately become a Democrat.

These party officials are increasingly impressed, they declare, by Morse's political effectiveness on the stump. They find him sharper, less long-winded than at one time. A national committee man from a midwestern farm state illustrates this with the story of a recent appearance by Morse before a huge farm audience in his state. The senator opened his prepared address something like this:

"To paraphrase Shakespeare, I have come here not to praise the Eisenhower administration but to bury its broken campaign promises to the farmers." Before the Oregon orator could go on, the committee man said the audience burst into a spontaneous hat-tossing demonstration of approval that prevented Morse continuing for some moments.

This incident is cited to help explain Democratic confidence in the political effect on the fall congressional elections of fallen farm prices — and satisfaction with Morse's ability to capitalize on it.

What draws Morse closer to the party he once scorned is some simple arithmetic applied to Oregon election statistics which tell him and his Democratic friends that the senator will have to pull a political miracle in 1956 if he is to win running as an Independent.

Democrats say Morse agrees that as an Independent, he would have to pick up four of every five "floating" votes — that is votes from the broad middle ground of the electorate that is not tied inseparably to one party or the other. They doubt he can manage it, however favorable the political climate two years from now.

But if he should run as a Democrat, he would automatically get the hard-core Democratic votes which go to whomever the party nominates. And Morse would need to pick up only 11 out of 20 of the floating votes. They don't see how he can miss, if those conditions hold true.

Interior Chief Flays 'Loose' Talk of Power

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Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay assailed "loose talk" in his defense of the federal administration's power program, and backers of Earl Newby for governor demanded McKay's "recall" to Washington, D. C., for "disrupting our (GOP) party."

In a telegram to Leonard Hall, chairman of the Republican National Committee, a Newby group complained that McKay was "using the funds of the Republican National Committee to influence the Republican gubernatorial contest" in favor of Gov. Paul Patterson, candidate for re-election and Newby's opponent in the primaries.

Stable Rate Promised McKay, reached by The Statesman at the Multnomah Hotel in Portland, said he had "no comment to make."

The telegram, signed by Attorney Clarence Bollenback of Portland and Percy Lacey of Corvallis, became known soon after McKay, in a television appearance in Portland, had declared that Bonneville power rates would not be increased for at least two years, and that there was no basis for "loose talk" that any federal power projects were for sale — "we will keep them as they are and build some more."

Response to Criticism McKay's talk was billed as a response to a recent letter from Newby in which Newby criticized McKay's partnership (federal and private) program for hydro-electric development.

Newby supporters said last night the blast at McKay was overdue. Sources more friendly to McKay said it was designed primarily to steal the headlines from McKay's talk, and to clutter the gubernatorial issue.

Bollenback and Lacey were identified, as signers of the telegram, as "president" and "secretary." Of what, it didn't say. But the first line of the telegram said "We, the officers of a group of Republicans dedicated to 'Build Oregon,' hereby protest, etc." It was understood the group met and organized in Portland Sunday.

Huge Debt Cited In his talk defending the administration's power policy, McKay said "President Eisenhower realized the time had come for a greater participation by local agencies, such as the state, public utility districts, municipal power systems and commercial public utilities," because:

"The federal government, faced with a staggering national debt of almost 275 billion dollars, could not be expected to make the enormous appropriations necessary to meet the Northwest's needs."

He said the administration's power partnership program would make possible such projects as Cougar Dam on the McKenzie, Green Peter Dam on the Santiam and the John Day and Priest Rapids Dams on the Columbia. (Additional details Page 2, Sec. 1.)

LIFE SPAN GROWS WASHINGTON (AP) — An American now has an average length of life of 68 1/2 years, a gain of nearly four years in the past decade, the U. S. Public Health Service reported Monday.