

Sharp modern lines feature the new 5-story million-dollar-plus new Oregon State Hospital building. The above view shows the exterior of the building, located on the north side of Center street.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

COLBY COLLEGE, Waterville, Me.—I must have brought rain from Oregon to Maine. At any rate it rained here all night and through the day in a fashion quite characteristic of Oregon—a mild, steady downpour interrupted with pauses for light mist.

A trip to Waterville from New York is like a retreat of grade school geography. The texts I studied began their description of the United States with the northeastern states, so many of the place names remain fixed in memory. Here, too, was the location of early industry along the streams which furnished water power. New England still is highly industrialized, but it has lost much of its textile manufacturing to southern states. Waterville, a city on the historic Kennebec, recently lost through closure its principal mill, a textile plant. Management and unions could not agree on terms of a contract so the mill was permanently closed. Other industries remain, one being for the manufacture of Hathaway shirts—the one, you know, worn by the man with the black eye-patch.

Colby College is quite similar to Willamette in size and has considerable similarity in history. Baptists from Boston pushed up into Maine in the second decade of the 19th century to found the Maine Literary and Theological Institution. It developed into Waterville College, its name being changed to Colby in 1867 in honor of a Boston Baptist who gave generous financial assistance to the college. It has no sectarian ties, however.

The student body is around 1100 and the courses are in liberal arts. Just before (Continued on editorial page 4)

Cutters Battle High Seas to Rescue Tug

SEATTLE (AP)—Two Coast Guard cutters are bucking heavy winds and high seas off the Oregon Coast in attempts to save a tugboat and a 75-foot barge in unrelated incidents.

The Coast Guard at Seattle reported the cutter Bonham is being lashed by winds and waves outside Coos Bay, Ore., while awaiting moderating conditions.

Then the Bonham intends to escort the waterlogged tug Saltair over the bar and into Coos Bay. Near Tillamook, the cutter Yacona is trying to find the unlighted 75-foot barge which is carrying two large steel tanks. The barge was cut loose in heavy seas by the motor vessel Tangin.

The Tangin cut loose the barge at 1:30 p. m. saying it was too rough to keep it in tow. Then the Tangin set sail for San Diego.

The Coast Guard says it no longer is in radio communication with the Tangin. The Tangin had earlier reported the hapless situation of the tug Saltair.

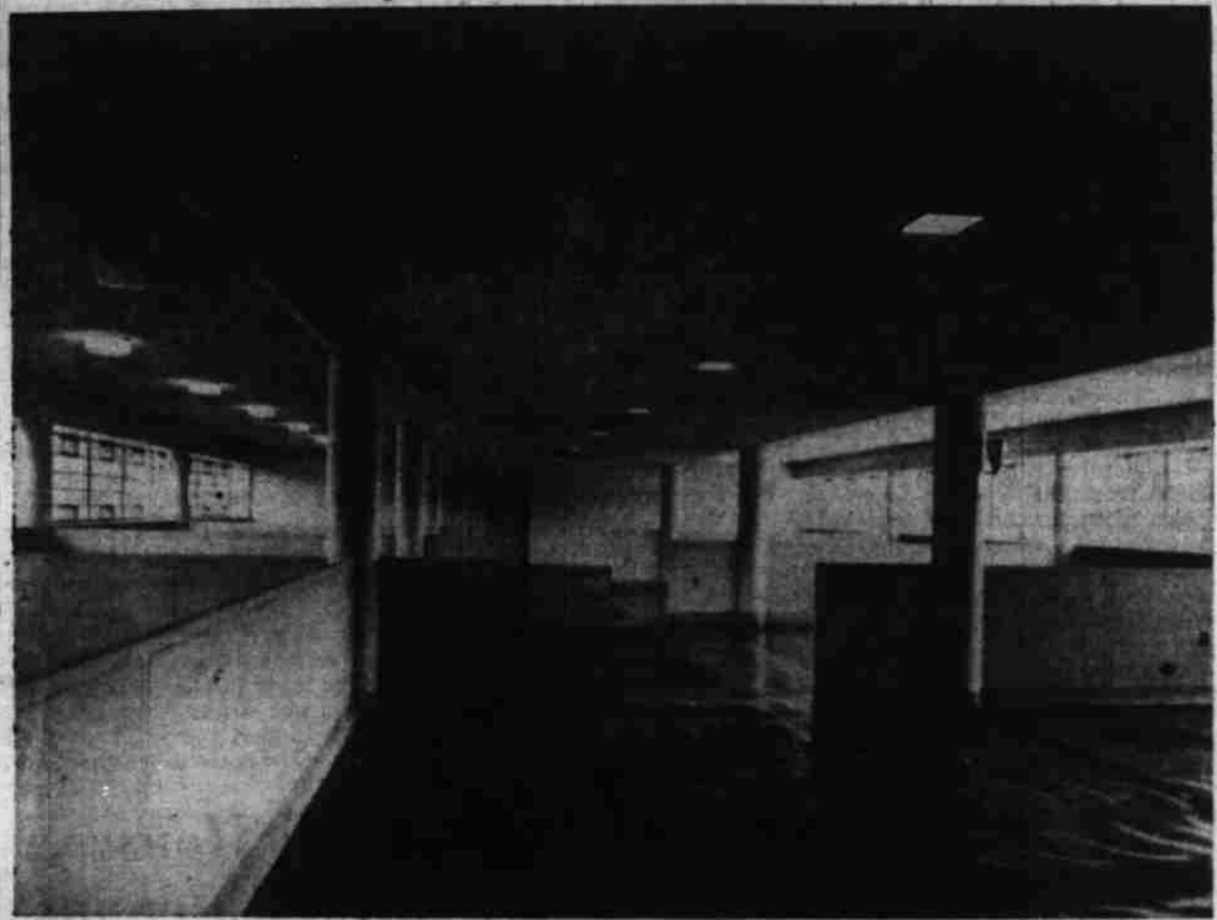
Later the Yacona was diverted to check reports of a two-masted schooner wallowing helplessly in rough seas off Manhattan Beach on the Northern Oregon Coast.

The Coast Guard was somewhat skeptical about the report from a resident of the area.



"Somehow I can't bring myself to call him Rocky."

Features Spacious, Utilitarian Wards



Sample of light, spacious wards in the new Oregon State Hospital building, soon to be occupied, is shown in this view of one of the floors. Note half walls which permit semi-private sections, but do not close out the light.

State School Conference to Open Today

Approximately 175 persons are expected in Salem today for opening of the 27th fall conference of the Oregon Association of Secondary School Principals.

The two-day affair will get underway with 9 a. m. registrations at the Hotel Marion.

Both Gov. Paul Patterson and Rex Putnam, superintendent of public instruction, will make speeches of welcome to conference participants at a morning gathering.

Problems of junior high schools will be main topic at discussion sessions today. A highlight will be a panel discussion, with Dr. E. Marsh, prominent educator from Culver City, Calif., serving as moderator. Other panel members will be Dr. Walter Snyder, superintendent of the Salem School District; Erwin Juilfs, Eugene educator; and W. H. Dunn, educator from Vancouver, Wash. Marsh also is slated as featured speaker at the conference.

The conference will conclude at noon Tuesday. All sessions will be held at the Hotel Marion.

Today's Statesman

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Ike May Quit Hospital Within '4 or 5 Weeks'

DENVER (AP)—The eminent heart specialist, Dr. Paul Dudley White, said Sunday President Eisenhower may get out of the hospital in four or five weeks but it might be the first of the year before he can go back to work at the White House.

Speaking for six of the physicians who are keeping tab on Eisenhower's heart condition, White said that it is impossible to say at this time whether it would be physically possible for Eisenhower to run for a second term next year.

This is so, White said, because it is too early to know for sure whether the chief executive will make a complete recovery.

White talked to newsmen at a series of weekend medical examinations of the chief executive. The news conference, which outlined plans for gradually increasing presidential activity, of a personal and official nature, also followed two meetings between Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon.

New Building Needs 'Finishing Touches'

The new 676-bed building at Oregon State Hospital is being readied this week for occupancy later this month. Costing \$1,500,000 the modern-type building is practically completed except for last-minute finishing touches. E. J. Ireland, state board of control secretary, has announced.

It will house the "general run" of patients, with a large percentage being elderly, said Dr. Russell Guiss, assistant superintendent at the hospital.

Facilities also are included for "specialized" cases — including children and segregated patients, he added.

"This building," he said, "will provide us with modern, improved equipment for up-to-date care of elderly patients. It also will relieve some of our overcrowded conditions here."

Official inspection of the new wing, prior to acceptance by the state, is planned for Oct. 13, Ireland said. The structure is located on the north side of Center street and to the rear of the recently-completed receiving hospital.

Infirmiry Condemned To be vacated is the 75-year-old infirmiry, which has been condemned. Patients from there plus those from the old, overcrowded, main building will easily fill the new five-story building.

"We won't have any surplus beds," said Dr. Guiss.

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LA GRANDE (AP)—Virgil R. Weir, a switchman in the Union Pacific railroad yards here, lost both legs when he was run over by a train Saturday night.

The right leg was severed in the mishap and the left foot was badly injured. Doctors at a La Grande hospital later removed the left leg below the knee.

Details of the accident were not learned. Weir blacked out after he was struck by the train. He later regained consciousness and calls for help were heard by nearby householders. They summoned aid.

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Personal Valet Saw 'Hitler's Body Burn'

(Picture on Wirephoto Page) BERLIN (AP)—Adolf Hitler's personal valet said Sunday he helped pour gasoline over the body of the dead Fuehrer and watched it burn outside a Berlin air raid shelter 10 years ago. The roaring blaze also consumed the body of Eva Braun, the dictator's longtime mistress and bride of one day.

The story of Heinz Linge, who returned Saturday night from a decade of Soviet captivity, was the first eyewitness account of Hitler's death.

With the previous report by Hitler's personal pilot, SS Gen. Hans Baur, that he knew the two were dead, it should remove any lingering question of whether Hitler may still be alive.

Linge told an interviewer that Hitler and Eva Braun committed suicide in their underground "bunker" in the massive concrete bunker in the chancellery garden.

They were alone . . . Linge said. "Hitler shot himself, Eva Braun took poison."

"I carried his body out of the bunker, and then helped pour gasoline over it. We watched it burn for about five minutes."

Linge said he carried Hitler's body into the shell-strafed garden which lay above the bunker. Hitler's chauffeur was to bring up Eva Braun's body, but failed.

"Eva Too Heavy" "It was too heavy for him," Linge smiled. He said Hitler's SS adjutant, Otto Guensche, finally managed to get the body out of the bunker.

Linge thus became the first man to give the world an eyewitness account of the Fuehrer's fiery end. The ex-valet said he personally procured about 50 gallons of the gasoline used to burn the bodies, but additional gasoline was required. The Russians captured him with some other members of the Nazi elite guard May 2, 1945.

There is a good chance that both Linge and Baur, who returned to the West Saturday night, will be called to testify before a Berchtesgaden court which is still busying itself with the problem: Is Hitler legally dead? The court has almost finished its research, and is expected to issue a death certificate this month.

The fact that Hitler's passing was surrounded by mystery is blamed on Russia.

Mickey Cohen Leaves Prison

(Picture on wirephoto page.) STEILACOOM (AP)—Mickey Cohen stepped off a launch from the McNeil Island, Wash., federal Penitentiary to freedom Sunday, and immediately started running.

Cohen, whose name has popped up frequently in connection with rackets in Los Angeles, raced for two blocks before he finally stopped to catch his breath and talk.

His first words, addressed to three unidentified men who lagged behind a swarm of reporters, were: "Where in the hell have you guys been?"

The quartet dashed to a blue 1954 Cadillac with Illinois license plates before Cohen reluctantly told reporters: "I'm going back to Los Angeles. I have no further comment."

Cohen has been in McNeil since 1951, serving a five-year term for evading \$156,123 in federal taxes.

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Ike Touches Off Laughter Gales With Pajama Tie

DENVER (AP)—President Eisenhower, in a rough mood, touched off gales of side-splitting laughter in his hospital room Sunday by snapping a bright bow tie into place on his gold-colored pajamas.

Vice President Nixon told newsmen about the hilarious incident, and added:

"Mrs. Eisenhower said that when she went into the room this morning and saw the bow tie, she practically rolled on the floor."

Nixon quoted Eisenhower as saying that he—the chief executive—and his morning nurse had been planning the prank for the last three days to surprise the first lady—and they sure did.

Solons Blast 'Misleading' Arms Figures

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senate investigators sharply criticized the Defense Department Sunday for what they called "misleading information" and multimillion dollar errors in its reports on the nation's 100 largest defense contractors.

Calling for an overhaul of Pentagon reports in this field, the Senate document, said Congress and the public are entitled to "a complete and accurate picture of these awards."

The blistering report was prepared by the staff of the Senate preparedness investigating subcommittee and signed by Chairman Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas, the Senate Democratic leader.

From 1951 to early in 1954 the Defense Department issued reports every six months on the 100 largest defense contractors on a cumulative basis since 1950. The department stopped them more than a year ago in an economy move.

Early this year the Senate Banking Committee and a House Small Business Committee asked that the reports be brought up to date. The department then issued a new type report covering an 18-month period from July 1953 to December 1954.

The Senate preparedness group, a branch of the Armed Services Committee, complained that this "inconsistently" eliminated the cumulative totals and presented a distorted picture.

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Voters Spurn Adenauer's Arms Plea

BREMEN, Germany (AP)—The West German Socialists, foes of rearmament, trounced Chancellor Konrad Adenauer's three coalition parties Sunday in a Bremen State election testing the popularity of his pro-Western foreign policy.

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Pipe-Smoking Songstress Serenades Ike

NORTHBRIDGE, Calif.—Mrs. Dens Guglielmi, pipe smoking singer whose voice it was disclosed Sunday lulls President Eisenhower in his Denver hospital room, takes time off from a recording session with her husband, Danny, to show their son Jan, 9, a letter she received from Mrs. Eisenhower thanking them for the tape recordings they sent the President. Danny, once an arranger for the late Glenn Miller, writes the music and his wife writes the lyrics and sings all the vocals. (AP Wirephoto.)



Record Rains For October Drench Area

Downpour Dumps 2.76 Inches on Salem Sector in 24-Hour Period

By RUSSELL BIERAUGEL, Staff Writer, The Statesman

The heaviest October rainfall on record at the McNary Field Weather Bureau and the biggest 24-hour downpour since the flood of February 1949 raised the Willamette River four feet in 24 hours Sunday but no serious damage was reported in the area.

State police reported cars stalled in mud and water Sunday evening in the Hayesville underpass at the site of new construction on the Portland-Salem Expressway. Travel was resumed when a clogged catch basin was cleared by the contractor.

Several minor collisions, clogged catch basins and one uprooted tree were reported in Salem.

The rain let up Sunday evening and forecasts from McNary Field and other stations near the coast indicate only showers today.

Wide Area The storm hit a wide area of the Oregon Coast and Willamette Valley. One of Portland's major traffic arteries was blocked more than an hour Sunday when a huge fir tree, loosened by rain, crashed onto Canyon Road, according to the Associated Press. A clump of mud bounced free from the tree's roots and pushed an automobile off the road, but with only minor injuries to the driver and slight damage to the car.

2.76 Inches The steady downpour deluged 2.76 inches of water on Salem in the 24-hour period ending 4 p. m. Sunday, according to weathermen at McNary Field. The total was 3.47 inches in the 40-hour storm between 6 a. m. Saturday and 10 p. m. Sunday.

The top 24-hour figure was 4 inch better than the previous October record of 2.36 inches in a 24-hour period in 1947, the weather bureau reported.

River Surges And it was the biggest rain since 3.16 inches fell on Salem in a 24-hour period Feb. 16-17, 1949, flooding city streets and basements, marooning several homes, damaging first floors and threatening Valseit Dam.

The level of the Willamette River rose 4 feet in 24 hours Sunday at the Salem Boathouse. It had come up 3 foot between midnight and 6 a. m. and surged to 1.1 foot over normal by 8 p. m.

Salem weather records at McNary Field are complete back to 1900 and really start with 1892 with only a few omissions in the first 8 years.

Sewers Clogged Street department employees freed several catch basins clogged with fallen leaves during the day and evening. City police also kept several free in the business area wherever they saw lakes forming.

City employees also were required to move a dragline shovel at Wallace Park where the rising river threatened to maroon it.

Tree Toppled A small tree toppled in the soaked earth in the 500 block Patterson avenue in West Salem, police reported, but did no damage.

Rainfall in the 40-hour period 6 a. m. Saturday to 10 p. m. Sunday totaled 4.64 at Newport, 4.2 at North Bend, 2.53 at Portland and 3.65 at Brookings, Salem weathermen said. The storm was moving into the Brookings area early today, they added.

Science Notes Long Flight Of Butterfly

CRISFIELD, Md. (AP)—Just how far will a butterfly fly? The Royal Ontario Museum at Toronto has been trying to find that out this summer.

Mrs. Emma Coulbourne of Crisfield has been helping with the answers.

Thanks to her, the museum is able to report that at least one butterfly flew exactly 560 miles from Meaford, Ont. to one of Mrs. Coulbourne's zinnias.

That's only if the butterfly's flight was in a straight line, which is highly doubtful, since butterflies in flight are notoriously erratic.

The butterfly Mrs. Coulbourne noticed last Sept. 9 on her zinnia—a monarch—bore a band on its leg. She threw a net over the butterfly and learned where it had come from.

She sent the butterfly and pertinent data back to the museum. The museum director, F. A. Urquhart, told her: "It adds very significant information to our studies."

CANDIDACY ANNOUNCED

PORTLAND (AP)—Rep. Edith Green, congresswoman from Multnomah County, announced Sunday she would be a candidate for reelection in 1956.