

Salem Woman Found Alive on Hood Slopes

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IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

Democrats are extremely sensitive to Republican charges that they are "soft toward Communism." They recall this line of attack was used with marked effect in the 1946 congressional campaign and in the campaigns of 1952 and 1954. They are particularly bitter toward Vice President Nixon, accusing him of linking Democrats with "treason" — though none of them has come forward to claim the \$1,000 reward for proof by citations from Nixon's speeches. They are still jumpy over any such imputation, so when a document headed "Separate Republican Memorandum" carried such an implication they pounced on it promptly. Circulated by the "Republican Policy Committee" the pamphlet asserted that the official Communist line this year is to defeat Republicans and support Democrats. As soon as this was circulated by the GOP committee staff Democratic senators, led by Neuberger of Oregon, started jumping on their colleagues across the aisle. Not only did they brand the memo as false, Neuberger made much of the fact that Democrats had rallied for support of Eisenhower's foreign aid program while Republicans tried to restrict or curtail it.

Two Hospitals In Salem Hike Daily Rates

Rates at Salem's two major hospitals have increased \$1.25 per day per bed, it was reported Monday.

The jump at Salem Memorial and Salem General Hospitals, effective July 1, followed in the wake of similar increases in Portland. A general wage increase for some hospital employees also has been granted, effective July 1.

Irwin F. Wedel, manager at Salem Memorial and A. C. Branson, administrator at Salem General, both noted the rate boost would bring the minimum to \$16.25 a day. Wedel said no increases for other services were contemplated at this time.

Although some of the aspects of the salary boost are still under consideration, the new pay scale means an increase of \$15 per month for all registered nurses at both hospitals.

Non-professional employees, including maids, janitors, aides, practical nurses and others, will receive a \$10 a month increase at Salem Memorial. Some adjustments also will be made in the technician staff, Wedel said.

Status of pay boosts for non-professional and technical staff members at Salem General will reach final decision at a board of directors meeting on July 18, Branson said.

Loot-Spilling Bank Robber Soon Captured

BUFFALO, N.Y. — A 27-year-old man held up a branch bank in a downtown department store Monday and was captured a few minutes later as he fled, spilling money from a make-shift bag containing more than \$2,000.

Police arrested Gales Kersburg of Buffalo and charged him with first degree robbery.

Armed with what proved to be a toy pistol, Kersburg held up a teller at a branch of the Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co. Bank officials said a check revealed that \$2,047 was missing.

Hot Sun Cooks Valley Berries

By LILLIE L. MADSEN, Farm Editor, The Statesman

Hot Sunday and Monday suns cooked a lot of raspberries which processors were figuring on freezing, fieldmen and canners reported Monday.

While the unexpected heat wave did some damage to Boysen berries and finished up some strawberry fields a few days ahead of schedule, raspberries were most severely injured, processors' fieldmen said.

Walter Leth, Blue Lake fieldman, reported that quite a quantity of raspberries brought to that cooperative plant Monday would be rejected from top grades to jam and other product grades.

"The berries were actually cooked by the sun," Leth said. He added that several lots which came in Monday were not badly injured but some had suffered severely. Other processors had similar reports.

The raspberry crop had opened a week ago with unusually fine quality and prospects for a very good crop.

Harvest Just Started

E. Parberry, fieldman at Staylor Canning Co., said Monday that raspberry picking had just got "started good" and would last another three weeks, if hot weather doesn't persist. Boysen berry harvest is also getting underway. A small crop, however, is expected because of last winter's injury. Blackberries were not showing any ill effects Monday from the heat.

Strawberry picking in the hill areas in the east end of Marion County was still continuing. The harvest of this berry was expected to be completed by the end of this week.

Wallace Road Fire District Contract Near

BRUSH COLLEGE — Final contract for fire protection from the Salem city fire department is now being prepared by the new Wallace-Sheridan-Orchard Heights Roads fire district across the Willamette River from Salem.

The newly elected district board conferred with Salem officials Monday, and the Salem City Council later in the day indicated tentative approval of the protection contract.

This will be similar to the Eola - Salem fire protection contract, calling for annual payment to Salem of an amount of money raised by 6 mills of taxation in the district. But since the new Brush College area district wasn't formed in time to levy more than 4 mills this year, the contract will permit paying \$575 this year and the balance of \$450 over three years.

After this year the entire 6 mills would be paid to Salem annually. At present property valuation this levy is about \$1,050.

At the initial meeting of the new fire board, Emmett Rogers was elected president, Hollis Huntington vice president and chief, Mrs. Margaret Burton secretary-treasurer. Other members are Howard Jenks and Glenn Martin.

Blaze Halted Short of Oil

LAKEVIEW, Ore. — The entire 30-man volunteer Lakeview fire department fought a successful two-hour battle early Monday to prevent a fire from reaching storage tanks of the Shell Oil Co. after causing damage estimated at \$30,000.

Fire Chief Bill Arner said the fire was halted only 30 feet from the tanks.

The fire broke out under the loading platform of the Lakeview Building Materials Co., destroying the platform and a truck. The company manager, Ray Harlan, said his loss was \$20,000, covered by insurance.

The blaze spread to a nearby garage and destroyed two empty tank trucks valued at about \$10,000.

Gov. Smith Voices Opposition to Federal Dam for Hells Canyon

Gov. Elmo Smith came out in opposition to a high federal dam at Hells Canyon Monday, but still didn't make clear his position on the private vs. public power development issue.

In a letter answering Sen. Richard L. Neuberger, who had asked that the governor make his position known on a bill to authorize the dam, Gov. Smith emphasized the need for additional power at the earliest possible date.

Sen. Neuberger had written the governor a week ago after Republicans had filed a minority committee report stating that the three northwest governors were "unalterably" opposed to a federal dam at Hells Canyon.

At that time Gov. Smith said he was not prepared to answer the Neuberger letter because he had not acquainted himself with the details of the bill and understood it was only an authorization project.

His answer drew sharp criticism from Democratic State Sen. Robert D. Holmes, who will oppose Smith on the November ballot for governor. Holmes said the governor should keep himself informed on things so important to the state and offered to brief him on the bill.

"My position is one of opposition to the Senate Bill 1333," Gov. Smith wrote.

Congress Bolsters Dope Law

Death Sentence Approved for Sale to Minors

WASHINGTON — Congress Monday put sharp new teeth in U.S. laws against the death penalty for anyone who sells or gives heroin to children under 18.

The death penalty is not mandatory, and applies only in those states that have capital punishment.

The bill was passed first by the House, then the Senate. It now goes to President Eisenhower for his expected signature.

The measure, a compromise of separate bills previously passed by the House and Senate, drastically increased all present penalties for narcotics law violations.

It permits the death penalty to be meted out to persons who peddle or give heroin to minors under the age of 18, if a jury so recommends. Without a jury's recommendation, the penalty could be 10 years to life, even for a first offense.

The bill would outlaw heroin—called the "slow death narcotic"—in the United States except for research purposes. It would require all heroin now held to be surrendered to the Treasury Department within 120 days.

Other penalties for narcotics law violations were also increased.

821 Sign Up For Swimming Instructions

A total of 821 signed up for the city-wide annual learn to swim campaign Monday, making it the largest first day registration in the campaign's history.

Registrations for the Red Cross sponsored course will still be taken today, according to Vernon Gilmore, city recreation director. If classes become too large, he said, they will be split into smaller ones.

A total of 409 registered at Leslie pool and 412 at Olinger Monday. This included the boys and girls beginners and more experienced swimmers, the life saving class, and the adult beginners.

County School Post Goes to George Gillis

George Gillis, Silverton, has been appointed assistant administrator for the Marion County Schools, Mrs. Agnes Booth, superintendent of county schools, reported Monday.

Gillis, whose appointment to the new post is effective immediately, has been dean of boys at Silverton High School for the past six years.

His former activities also include six years of elementary teaching, two years as principal of Yamhill Union High School, two years as superintendent of Lafayette schools, five years coaching at Sandy High School, and five years of educational advisory work with the Civilian Conservation Corps.

He resides with his wife and four children at Silverton, where he is a member of the Silverton Immanuel Lutheran Church and of the local Toastmaster Club.

His new duties will be largely administrative in nature, Mrs. Booth said. He will work with both grade and high school students.

Negotiators Renew Effort for Steel Talks

PITTSBURGH — The federal government prepared Monday to draw union and management back into contract negotiations in an effort to end the 9-day-old steel strike that is spreading unemployment across the nation.

In addition to 650,000 striking steelworkers upwards of 50,000 employees in steel-related industries have been lurching. About 30,000 coal miners in steel owned operations will be idled when vacations end at midnight.

Today's Statesman

City	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	88	80	trace
Portland	92	85	0.00
Medford	96	82	0.00
North Bend	87	74	0.00
Roseburg	82	57	0.00
San Francisco	80	56	0.00
Los Angeles	84	61	0.00
Chicago	88	59	0.00
New York	82	71	0.00
Willamette River, 1.6 feet			
FORECAST — Iron. S. Weather Bureau — McNary Field, Salem: Mostly fair except for morning cloudiness today; tonight and Wednesday cooler, with the highest temperature today near 78 and the lowest tonight near 56.			
Temperature at 12:01 a.m. today was 60.			
SALEM PRECIPITATION			
Start of Weather Year Sept. 1:			
This Year	2.48		
Last Year	2.48		
Normal	29.18		

Smile Lights Face of Rescued Climber



HOOD RIVER, Ore.—Alice Nielsen, 28, 502 N. Winter St., Salem, was found alive and well Monday afternoon on the east slope of Mt. Hood after being lost since early Sunday. With her are rescuers Ruben Sullivan (left) and George Barr. (AP Wirephoto.)

Salem Property Owners to Face 106.3 Mills Tax Levy

Property owners in the city of Salem will face a tax bill this year estimated at 106.3 mills on the property's assessed valuation, for the support of city and county government and the Salem School District.

An estimated 26.9-mill share of the tax bill was approved in final form Monday night by the Salem City Council as the city tax designed to balance a \$4,381,764 budget for the coming year.

School officials have estimated the school tax levy at 62.2 mills, and the Marion County tax is expected to be about the same as this year's 17.3 mills. The overall tax for a city dweller this year was 97 mills, including 24.7 mills for city and 55.1 for schools.

No Overall Change

In passing the final budget ordinance Monday night at City Hall, the city aldermen made no change in the overall budget but altered department head salaries so that the 10 major department heads received a uniform 7 per cent raise.

Most city employees got a 5 per cent raise in the new budget.

Mayor Robert F. White, who led the last-minute move to change department head salaries, announced that the aldermen had asked the new city manager, Kent Mathewson, to study the department heads' salary lineup and report within six months if any changes should be made.

The new department head salaries range from \$5,400 to \$7,400.

Raises Trimmed

The action last night knocked out the special 14 to 20 per cent salary boosts which had been designated by the City Budget Committee to bring the recorder, librarian and parks superintendent salaries closer to the highest paid department heads. The revision last night also pared some of the raise given police chief and procurement-airport manager.

Unchanged was the fire chief salary. Increased slightly were engineer, water manager, attorney and treasurer. City's share of the city-county health officer salary was left at a 5 per cent increase as was the raise for the part-time municipal judge.

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Demos Pick Tennessee Governor as Keynote

Democratic leaders Monday picked the keynote for their national convention. He is Gov. Frank Clement of Tennessee, a backer of Adlai Stevenson for the Presidential nomination.

On the Republican side, there was a chance that a meeting of President Eisenhower with GOP Congressional leaders at Gettysburg Tuesday might produce some indication of Eisenhower's second term plans.

Clement, only 36 years old and a possibility for the Democratic Vice Presidential nomination, has already become known as one of the party's spellbinding orators. It will be his job as keynote to whip up convention enthusiasm.

The Gettysburg meeting of Eisenhower and the Congressional Republican leaders was arranged, it was announced, for a discussion of the administration's legislative program.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerly, who told of the meeting, continued to reject reporters' questions on whether Eisenhower still plans to run again.

Aching Feet, Empty Stomach Only Ills of Climbing Secretary

By CALVIN JOHNSON, Staff Writer, The Statesman

HOOD RIVER (Special)—Alice Nielsen, 28, mountain-climbing Salem secretary, lost since early Sunday on the eastern slopes of Mt. Hood; was found alive and in good condition Monday afternoon.

"I prayed and I tried to keep calm," she said after two U. S. forest service men found her about 2:30 p.m. near Cold Springs on the lower part of the mountain. This was about seven miles from where she first became lost about 5 a.m. Sunday.

Miss Nielsen, secretary in the state vocational education department and a semi-experienced mountain climber, came through her trying ordeal with little more discomfort than hunger pangs, sore feet and a resolve to never disobey mountain climbing rules.

When found she had food in her pack, which she was saving "in case I needed it later." She had been following Cold Spring Creek since the previous day, when she had become separated from a group of Salem Chemeketas.

Short Ways From Mt. Hood Loop Highway

"If she had continued to follow the creek," said Ruben Sullivan, one of the men who found her, "she would have reached the Mt. Hood Loop highway in about three days. On the other hand she was within three hours hiking distance from the road over trails."

About 50 searchers, including members of the Chemeketas, plus several planes were combing the area. Miss Nielsen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Nielsen, Rickreall Route 3, Box 262, went to the search area Monday, but returned home when they found they could do nothing.

Miss Nielsen became lost early Sunday when she and a group of nine other Chemeketas were climbing the difficult Cooper Spur route to the summit of Mt. Hood. They had left Cloud Cap Inn at about midnight to start the climb.

"We reached Tie In Rock about 5 a.m.," Miss Nielsen told this reporter, "when I became sick to my stomach. I couldn't go on."

The leader, Jacques Cubille, decided the others would go on. It was understood that I would either wait for them or would head back on my own. I could just barely see Cloud Cap Inn back in the distance."

Took Wrong Turn on Cooper Spur Ridge

"I started back. I don't know why I did it. I've heard climbers say over and over to beginners to 'stay put.' But I just kept going. "It was stupid. And I'll never do it again."

As she started back Miss Nielsen said, she apparently took the wrong side of Cooper Spur ridge. Because it took her further away from Cloud Cap Inn for a time she could see the rest of the party and thought they could see her.

She continued down the mountain in what she thought was the right direction.

"I thought I could see Cloud Cap Inn, but when I got there it turned out to be a large rock."

"I had a pretty good idea I was lost. I got over being sick right then."

She went down the mountain hoping to "hit the highway." She went into the timber line and struck Cold Spring Creek.

"Then I wandered around and got completely lost. I even lost the creek."

Then she hiked back up the mountain, approached Cooper Spur again, and "kept going over ridge after ridge" looking for Cloud Cap Inn. By then it was late afternoon.

Matches Dampened in Crossing Creek

"Finally I got completely discouraged, found another slope and headed into the trees again. And found the creek again."

She followed the creek until dark. Using her pack for a cover and her pants for warmth she managed to sleep a little but "frequently woke up shivering."

"I was glad I didn't get panicky. I thought of the circumstances I was in and realized that I might die. But I tried to stay calm. I'm not a very religious person but I prayed that night."

She couldn't make a fire, because she had gotten her matches wet while crossing and recrossing the stream.

"The next morning I started downstream again. The weather was wonderful, warm and dry. About three hours later I saw a plane circling right over me. I was in sort of a clearing. I tried to attract the pilot's attention."

"I figured he saw me and wanted me to stay right there. So I did. And several hours later the two foresters showed up."

Foresters Follow Footprints to Lost Hiker

Finding Miss Nielsen apparently was sheer good luck on the part of the foresters. Because no plane had reported sighting her.

Foresters Sullivan and George Barr were simply combing all trails in that area when they found Miss Nielsen's footprints along the creek. They followed them to her.

"About the first thing Sullivan did was hand me a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. I gobbled it down. I had eaten only half an orange since leaving Cloud Cap Inn Sunday morning," she said.

Word that the missing woman had been found was radioed to seven other search parties. One party did not know she had been found until hours later. Miss Nielsen was returned to Hood River. From there she came to Salem last night.

Salem Chemeketas engaged in the search included Charles Allen, Paul Macklin Jr., Francis McCarter, George LaBore, Willis Caldwell, Gerald Richardson and Jacques Cubille.

A party of 10 more Chemeketas was ready to leave for the search area last night.

Tacoma Jail Inmates Riot

TACOMA — Nineteen of the toughest prisoners in Pierce County Jail staged a brief but destructive riot Monday night in a demand for more and better food. There were no personal injuries.

The riot broke out in an upstairs cell and quickly spread to the cell below. The rebellious prisoners, described by Chief Criminal Deputy Richard McCreadie as "a hard core group," were brought under control by the use of fire hoses and the threat of tear gas.

The prisoners smashed furniture and used the broken pieces as clubs to beat back deputies, break the electric lights and tear out wiring.

Pool Cleaners Lose Penguins Down Drain

PHILADELPHIA — Here's a lesson for all pool cleaners: Remove the penguins first.

The pool cleaners at the Philadelphia zoo didn't — and a young pair of the waddlers went right down the spacious drain. One was recovered by a fisherman in the Schuylkill River, where the drain eventually empties. The other is still missing.

RESERVISTS PROTECTED

GETTYSBURG, Pa. — President Eisenhower Monday signed into law a bill allowing military reservists to appeal to the federal courts to enforce their reemployment rights after absence of two weeks or more for training camp duty.

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