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Worden Reports on
Oregon Contest

Oregon is very much in the national limelight this election year. It has been since March when Douglas McKay resigned as secretary of the interior to seek nomination and election as United States senator to compass the defeat of the two-term incumbent, Wayne L. Morse.

The prominence of the principals and particularly Morse's penchant for controversy add to the nation-wide interest in this Morse-McKay contest which is now "all set."

Already, political observers and reporters have threaded their way to Oregon to make political soundings. First to come up with a report is Bill Worden, whose article headed "Grudge Fight in Oregon" appears in the current Saturday Evening Post. Worden is a former Associated Press man, stationed in the Seattle bureau before the war. He became a war correspondent in the Pacific, then switched to become a contributor to the Post.

Worden gives a good sketch of the Oregon political scene, of the senatorial candidates and the issues at stake in the November election. He avoids predictions, a caution which is encouraged by the freak voting in the Oregon primaries when an unknown waitress at a hotel cocktail bar won election as Democratic national committeewoman and Lew Wallace polled 109,000 votes for the gubernatorial nomination after he had withdrawn from the race. (The former, Mrs. Virginia Grant, by the way, calls "completely untrue" Worden's reference to her as "no Morse supporter.")

The result will depend, in Worden's view, on how well McKay consolidates his Republican strength and how firmly organized labor can hold its members to voting for Morse. The latter was acclaimed as the principal speaker during the amalgamation ceremonies of the Oregon AFL and CIO groups. Morse accepted a couple of campaign checks, \$5,000 from "unionists outside Oregon who wished to see Senator Morse elected," and another "of undisclosed size from the Pacific Coast Metal Trades Council." (It was after this that Morse made his boast of being a "free man" while McKay is not a "free man.")

Worden has done one thing which probably few or none of the reporters who follow him will do: He visited the Al Sereno mine whose patents were condemned by Democrats as a timber giveaway. Worden relates the story of these mining claims which go back to 1897. Considerable investment was made in developing the property as a mine. A 100-ton mill was operated chiefly in the 1940s. Since patenting, some timber has been cut and sold but, as the resident caretaker said, "It's a good enough mine. Just let the price of gold go up, and she's ready to run tomorrow." Worden says, "If it just would, Douglas McKay might have his answer."

As for Morse, the toughest problem for him is to "convince Oregonians that his conduct of the past four years fits their own codes — and that he is right when he said Dwight Eisenhower lacks political morality and is the most dangerous man ever to sit in the White House." That, says Worden, is

"an assignment for a big man."

We shall have others visit Oregon to study this senatorial battle and give their report to the people. Worden has set a good standard for accuracy and objectivity.

An Oregonian has only to visit some other state to be bombarded with questions about "that man Morse" (he is both hated and admired across the nation, depending on which crowd you are with). So writers and commentators will find ready sale for their reports on Oregon's hot senatorial contest, which, as Worden says, is a genuine "grudge fight." It's the voters of Oregon, however, who hold the answer to the oft-phrased questions as to which candidate will win.

Court Denies State Intervention

The state Supreme Court denied the petition of Attorney General Thornton who sought court assistance in blocking the construction of a dam by Portland General Electric on the Deschutes River. The Thornton proceeding was based on the representation that the company held no license from the state Hydroelectric Commission and that its diversion and use of waters of the state was contrary to state law. The court rejected the request, but no opinion was rendered. It may be assumed that the court's denial was based on the decision of the federal Supreme Court in the Pelton dam case decided some months ago. That ruling recognized the federal power act as controlling over state statutes.

Meanwhile work on the dam is proceeding. Plans are being perfected for protection of the salmon run on the stream. While this has never been large, the state Fish Commission has sought to develop it, employing a new hatchery on the Metolius. It is a condition of PGE's license that it install works for fish conservation.

This definitely ends the controversy over this dam on the Deschutes. Bitterly fought by fishing interests (game fishing folk were loudest in their protest) it was supported by Central Oregon interests generally and by the Warm Springs Indians in particular, who stand to derive monetary benefits because the dam is anchored on reservation land. It was proper for the attorney general to press the case for a final determination on "state rights." That has now been had; so the controversy should be wound up. Opposition to the dam was highly emotional, and in our judgment the fish injury alleged was highly overdrawn. There will be far more people visit the reservoir for recreation than ever wound their way down the canyon of the Deschutes and then struggled to get out of it.

Senator Neuberger tried to block the work by tacking an amendment to the Barrett bill to restore state control over waters. This amendment would have resulted in canceling of the FPC license. It was adopted but then the bill was allowed to die. At the next session of Congress the Barrett bill, sans the Neuberger amendment, will doubtless be introduced again. While supported by reclamation interests in the West it runs into opposition from those who think it is too sweeping. In the opinion of The Statesman, while court decisions now establish the superiority of federal statutes covering the use of waters for power in specific instances, vested rights in water for consumptive use, held under state law, remain secure.

Through the energies of the League of Women Voters, initiative petitions have been filed in Olympia to insure a vote on legislative reapportionment this fall. The move is resisted in court by some legislators who object to a reshuffle of representation. Somehow those who hold office always think they can do a better job than anyone else; but government manages to stagger along after they are retired to private life.

Premium headline: "Steel Strike Is Over — But Not Paid For."

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Your opponent's making GOOD health an issue, Senator! He says a terrible record like yours could only be made by working full-time at it!"

IT SEEMS TO ME

(Continued from page 1.)

radical Republicans in the reconstruction period and to support the greater toleration urged by President Johnson. But that doesn't erase the 14th amendment. Laying aside the question of the legality of the process by which the amendment was adopted, let us examine the amendment itself. The first section reads:

"All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the state wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty or property, without the process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

Section two authorizes a reduction in House representation if voting rights are abridged (which has never been done). Section three bars from office those who violated their oaths to participate in the rebellion. Section four validated the debt incurred by the government for suppression of the rebellion and denied the validity of any debt incurred in aid of the rebellion. Section five gave Congress the power to enforce the provisions of the article (which Congress has avoided exercising). The really pertinent portions of the amendment today are sections one to five.

The question I should like to pose to David Lawrence is whether he would erase the principles in the quoted first section. If the thesis advanced in the U.S. News article is correct and the 14th amendment was not really ratified, would Lawrence and the magazine urge its adoption now? The direction of Lawrence's agitation is to validate state laws abridging the rights and privileges of citizens of the United States—which of course is what the Southern states insist on doing.

Time Flies

FROM STATESMAN FILES

10 Years Ago

Aug. 1, 1946

Salem has its third price board chairman, Dr. Robert E. Lantz, graduate manager at Willamette university, succeeds Herman Jochimsen, whose resignation was announced. John A. Helseth held the chairmanship from 1942 to 1944.

25 Years Ago

Aug. 1, 1931

The drum corps of Capitol Post No. 9, American Legion, made its first appearance at the band concert program in the new uniforms which have been purchased for use at the state convention at Corvallis. Rudy Schultz is corps instructor.

40 Years Ago

Aug. 1, 1916

The people of Salem used 1,025,325.199 gallons of water during the past year from the mains of the Salem Water, Light and Power company, according to their annual report.

Better English

BY D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "We shall most certainly co-operate together until this work is entirely completed."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "surcease"?
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Erroneous, eruption, errate, eradication.
4. What does the word "insidious" mean?
5. What is a word beginning with "de" that means "skill; adroitness"?

ANSWERS
1. Omit the three words, "most," "certainly," and "entirely."
2. Pronounce: sur-sees. Accent on second syllable.
3. Errate.
4. Intended in entrap, characterized by treachery and deceit. "There is no more insidious characteristic than hypocrisy." B. Dextery.

ing with regard to Negroes. But in this day and age justice and morality call for non-discrimination on grounds of race or color or religion. If now the Supreme Court should rule this amendment was not properly a part of the constitution it would promptly be resubmitted—unless the Senate by tolerance of filibustering allowed it to be talked to death; and would be ratified, even if the Southern states, again refused to concur.

Processes are still available for testing the validity of the 14th amendment. That they are not being pursued in the courts is due to the realization that the efforts would be fruitless. Having stood unchallenged for nearly 90 years the amendment is admittedly now a part of the federal constitution. The Supreme Court relied on it as a basis for its ruling to void state laws requiring race segregation—which is why the amendment is under attack. The U.S. News article is a valid historical exercise; but insofar as it bolsters resistance to the court decree it runs counter both to law and justice.

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Picnic Meeting
Set by Boat Club

Members of the Salem Boat Club will hold a combination meeting and picnic at 6:30 o'clock this evening at Wallace Marine Park, according to Commodore Robert Hulet.

Chief topic will be proposed division of the club into various groups for various types of boating activity. Such groups would include cruising, water skiing, runabouts and racing division.

Site of the picnic is the racing area of Wallace Park, which will provide members opportunity to bring boats.

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Book Probe Leader Eyes Censorship

(Story also on page 1.)

Plans for the formation of a citizens committee designed to control the decency of publications sold in Marion County were announced Tuesday night by Mrs. John Pfeiffer, Silverton housewife.

Mrs. Pfeiffer made the announcement when asked for comment on Tuesday's grand jury indictment of Claude Cummings and Jack St. Clair, news agency operators, on charges of selling

indecent literature. Both men were arrested Tuesday and released after posting \$500 bail.

The Silverton woman said the group she represents also is going to strive for the formation of censorship committees in other Oregon counties. Mrs. Pfeiffer was generally recognized as the most active of some 20 citizens who testified at the recent four-day grand jury session.

Heart Attack
Claims Retired
Depot Janitor

Arthur Leroy Christiansen, 1545 N. Commercial St., died Tuesday morning in the 1400 block on North Commercial Street while returning home from a grocery store.

Death was apparently due to a heart attack, according to the Marion County Coroner's office. Police and first aidmen called when the 69-year-old man fell to the sidewalk said he was dead when they arrived. Relatives said he had complained of pains in his chest the past two weeks but had not consulted a doctor.

Christiansen was janitor at the Greyhound Bus Depot for about four years, retiring last year. He was born in May, 1887, in Nebraska. He moved to Portland from South Dakota in 1943 and to Salem from California about six years ago. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Zetta M. Christiansen, who is hospitalized while recovering from an operation; five daughters, Mrs. Nyma Tomie and Mrs. Reome Johnson, both of Salem; Mrs. Lucille Clark, Monmouth; Mrs. Marlys Steubs, Vancouver, Wash.; Mrs. Twyla Reynolds, Monrovia, Calif.; son, Gordon Christiansen, Eugene; two brothers, Walter Christiansen, Plankinton, S. Dak., and Dewey Christiansen, Kimball, S. Dak.; four sisters, Miss Ethel Christiansen, Platte, S. Dak.; Miss Mabel Christiansen and Mrs. Jennie Orr, both of Mitchell, S. Dak.; and Mrs. Alta Green, Lodi, Calif.; and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements are pending at Howell-Edwards Mortuary.

Lamkin Given
Permanent
Disbarment

Permanent disbarment of Walter S. Lamkin, Salem attorney, was ordered Tuesday by the State Supreme Court. The action came up on recommendation of the board of governors of the Oregon State Bar.

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During Year

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Specifically, Cummings will be prosecuted for selling a pocket-sized book entitled "Men Into Beasts," while St. Clair will be tried for the sale of "A Dame Called Murder," Brown said. "In the opinion of the jury," Brown said, "the two books constitute a violation of the state's laws against indecent literature." Both books are believed to give excessive emphasis to perverted sexual conduct.

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State Police
Veterans to
Gather Here

The 17 remaining original members of the Department of State Police will be together for the first time in 25 years on the department's 23rd anniversary today.

Three remaining office employees of the original organization also will be guests at a dinner this evening at the Marion Hotel. Hostess is Mrs. Walter Lansing, whose husband, captain of highway safety, is one of the active original members. Husbands and wives of the 20 "old timers" also are invited.

New Water
District Gets
Official Okeh

Establishment of a 1,200-acre Suburban East Salem Water District, which will include all of Four Corners area, was formally recognized Tuesday through an order signed by members of the Marion County Court.

Residents of the area approved the proposal by a vote of 361 to 302 at a July 21 election. Five water district directors also were elected. The district will be financed through the sale of an estimated \$400,000 in bonds.

In another action, court members referred to the engineering department a letter from a Silverton woman concerning various road hazards. Mrs. John F. Culley, Silverton described Evans Valley Road as having blind corners, and in need of surfacing and widening. She complained that a county road grader that operated over the road this spring did an unsatisfactory job.

Vandals Damage
Park Equipment

New vandalism in Bush's Pasture Park was reported to Salem police by Walter C. Wirth, park superintendent.

Police said supports under the heating elements had been taken Monday night from all electric ranges in the picnic area bordering Mission Street and several concrete blocks for construction had been broken. Other concrete blocks were placed in the form of a cross, police said.

Several of the heating elements supports were found later near Mission Street, they added.

Salem
Obituaries

Arthur Leroy Christiansen

At the residence, 1545 N. Commercial St., July 31. Survived by widow, Mrs. Zetta M. Christiansen, Salem; five daughters, Mrs. Nyma Tomie and Mrs. Reome Johnson, both of Salem; Mrs. Lucille Clark, Monmouth; Mrs. Marlys Steubs, Vancouver, Wash.; and Mrs. Twyla Reynolds, Monrovia, Calif.; son, Gordon Christiansen, Eugene; two brothers, Walter Christiansen, Plankinton, S. Dak., and Dewey Christiansen, Kimball, S. Dak.; four sisters, Miss Ethel Christiansen, Platte, S. Dak.; Miss Mabel Christiansen and Mrs. Jennie Orr, both of Mitchell, S. Dak.; and Mrs. Alta Green, Lodi, Calif.; and nine grandchildren. Arrangements are pending at Howell-Edwards Mortuary.

Godfrey Hughes

At a Salem hospital, July 29. Survived by daughter, Mrs. A. S. Leonard, Kent, Wash., and son, C. M. Hughes, Sacramento, Calif. Announcement of services later by the Virgil T. Golden funeral home.

Oregon's Congressmen Waste Little Time
Shaking Dust of U. S. Capital From Heels

By A. ROBERT SMITH
Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Oregon members of Congress for the most part were wasting little time in shaking the dust of the nation's capital from their heels and heading westward for home and the election campaigns ahead of them.

The only ones staying behind for any length of time were two Democrats who are planning to go first to Chicago to participate in the Democratic national convention before going to Oregon. Republicans planning to attend the GOP national convention at San Francisco starting Aug. 20 figured to go first to Oregon and then to the Bay City.

Sen. Wayne Morse (D) is neither staying long behind or attending the Democratic convention. He plans call for flying to Oregon late this week to launch his re-election campaign.

Rep. Harris Ellsworth (R) will also be flying out of Washington this week, stopping first in Cleveland and then in Santa Fe to visit his two daughters. He and Mrs. Ellsworth, who went ahead, then plan to drive from Santa Fe to their home at Roseburg, after which they hope to get a brief vacation before the opening of the convention at San Francisco. The congressman tentatively plans to attend the convention.

Rep. Sam Coon (R) is planning to drive straight to his home in Baker, then to go to the Republican convention. After that, he'll return to commence his re-election campaign.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D) and Rep. Edith Green (D) are both staying in the capital until shortly before the opening of the Democratic convention Aug. 12.

Neuberger, who is chairman of the Oregon delegation to the con-

vention, hopes to join his wife, Maurine, afterward for a short vacation prior to the start of active campaigning in the state. Mrs. Neuberger is going directly home to Portland from Washington this week.

Mrs. Green said she will go to Chicago the week before the convention starts to sit on the platform writing committee, which will draft the platform after holding advance hearings. The freshmen congresswoman will also be one of several women members of Congress who are scheduled to address the convention. Her five-minute

speech is to cover the general field of welfare legislation.

Rep. Walter Norblad (R) is the only other member of the state's delegation who is not planning to attend his party's convention. He and Mrs. Norblad are going by train first to Port Knox, Ky., for a visit with their 17-year-old son, Alvin, who is there for a six-month military training program.

Norblad will then return to Oregon, stopping off in Chicago for a visit with his parents, who expect to be en route to South Africa on a trip celebrating their 50th anniversary.

All the timbers are of ample size and better material than you can buy today. Not only that, they are sound.

All this bridge needs is a coat of black top, and it would be good for at least 20 years, with minor repairs.

I think the taxpayers were sold a poor bill of goods when they were told a new bridge was needed.

A. G. Hidstrom,
675 S. Church

Editor's Note—The High Street bridge has never been condemned for then its use would have had to be halted. It has been under almost weekly inspection by the city engineer's office and repaired from time to

time to keep it safe. Its replacement by a permanent structure however, was recommended by the city engineer and the city council.

What . . . No Flowers!
To The Editor:
Friday's Statesman's front page item, MCKAY EYES FRONT, IN G. O. P. CONVENTION omits a rather interesting point which does not escape the Oregonian. Seems that if Doug goes along to San Francisco he will go as alternate for Tommy Luke, the well known Portland florist.

For this, it seems to me, TOMMY LUKE, FLOWERS is fully entitled to a by line in Salem; for surely our distinguished first citizen belongs at that Convention along with Dick Nixon, Herbert Hoover and all the other progressive Republicans! And as an innocent bystander I think the ex-Secretary of Interior rates a special invitation from the Big Chief.

Ivan Lovell,
Croisan Road

law defines as illegal I will be glad to return to the publishers." Retail Arrests Possible
The distributor indicated that he was not in a position to censor each of the hundreds of books and magazines that he sells. "Even if this were possible," he said, "what might think is decent would not necessarily be considered decent by someone else."

St. Clair was not available for comment Tuesday night. Jury members, however, did not concentrate all their fire on the two distributors. "We recommend that in the future all law enforcement officers prosecute any violations that may be called to their attention," the report stated. This indicated that Tuesday's arrests might be followed by charges being filed against any retailer who handles "indecent" publications. The jury did not define the term "indecent."

"We would like to urge the press and all civic, educational, fraternal and religious organizations in the county to lend their support to the banishment of such literature and to assist the district attorney and police officers by calling to their attention any magazine or publication of this nature which plainly is being sold in violation of Oregon laws," the report stressed.

Withdrawal
Of Offer Set
For Sept. 1

Former State Sen. Rex Ellis, Pendleton, said Tuesday he would withdraw on Sept. 1 his offer of \$10,000 to any person who proves that President Eisenhower or former Interior Secy. Douglas McKay gave away public resources without due process of law.

The offer was made on March 31.

"No proof has been forthcoming and those who have made the charges stand indicted of having made false and malicious statements against these fine men," Ellis said in a letter to E. C. Sammons, president of the United States National Bank of Portland. Ellis is letting Sammons hold the money.

Speaker will be Charles P. Pray of Portland, first superintendent of the department, who retired in 1946.

The 112 members of the original department were dispersed throughout the state 25 years ago today after a short training course here. The men expected to gather here today will converge from Baker, Milwaukie, Medford, Washington County, Astoria and The Dalles as well as Salem.

Autos Smashed
In Salem Mishap

Two cars were extensively damaged early Tuesday morning when one of them struck the other, parked at the curb in the 800 block Union Street, police said.

Driver in the 1 a.m. accident was listed as Otis Burchell, Valsetz. The other car, which came to rest with its front wheels in a neighboring flower bed, was registered to Abraham Volchok, who lives at 885 N. Winter St., on the corner at which the car was parked, police said.

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