

The Weather
Today's forecast: Mostly cloudy today and Tuesday with some light rain. High today 50. Low tonight 35.
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SP&S Strike Closes Salem Depot, Idles 30

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sorenson

From this safe distance I enjoy the frequent editorial passages at arms between the urbane and literate Bob Ruhl, editor of the Medford Mail-Tribune, and his neighborly colleague, Frank Streeter, the rugged individualist who does the editorial writing for the Grants Pass Courier. On things political they are almost never in agreement, but last Thursday, for once, they were. Each chose that day to do an election post-mortem. The common impulse however was as far as their agreement went, and was of course pure coincidence.

Streeter, after laboring as hard and as conscientiously as any editor in the state for the men and principles he espouses, took his vacation immediately following the election; but his analysis shows neither the poll nor the subsequent interval have leavened his views. And Bob Ruhl, who except on President played the winning team, naturally finds satisfaction in the Oregon results.

Ruhl's explanation of "What Happened?" written for some of his "dazed" Republican friends, cites as a "chief factor": "The superior quality of the Democratic candidates," not only "man for man . . . but a superiority over the Democratic average of the past." He gives credit also for the "independent vote," the ones who just balk at voting the ticket straight. He asserts too that the Democratic candidates represented (Continued on Editorial page 4.)

Wage Demands By Engineers Bring Walkout

Freight operations of the Salem office of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railroad shut down Sunday as result of a strike called in Portland. The stoppage idled more than 30 employees here and forced customers to seek other means of shipping.

Associated Press said the strike was precipitated by locomotive engineers of the company. The engineers reportedly were maintaining picket lines at facilities in Portland Sunday.

Roger C. Tetlaiff, Salem freight agent for Oregon Electric Railway, which is owned by SP&S, said the strike would lay off 19 switchmen, nine office personnel, roadmaster, linemen and about 19 trackmen in Salem. Several engineers presumably would have a vacation also.

Eight cars daily The Salem operation handles an average of over eight carloads of freight a day, according to Tetlaiff. Bulk of the shipments from here are fruit, lumber and paper mill products. Two freights make round trips daily through Salem Monday through Friday. One round trip is made daily Saturday and Sunday.

As far as could be determined, no pickets were at Salem facilities Sunday. The Salem office and depot is at North Front and Chemeketa Street.

Operations at Salem area firms apparently will be little affected by the shutdown.

Rail Alternate A spokesman at Oregon-Pulp and Paper Company said that firm ships much of its products via Southern Pacific railroad. Other firms which might have been hurt cast turn to SP or ship by truck.

Shutdown of the Salem agency brings a quietude to that usually bustling sector of North Front Street.

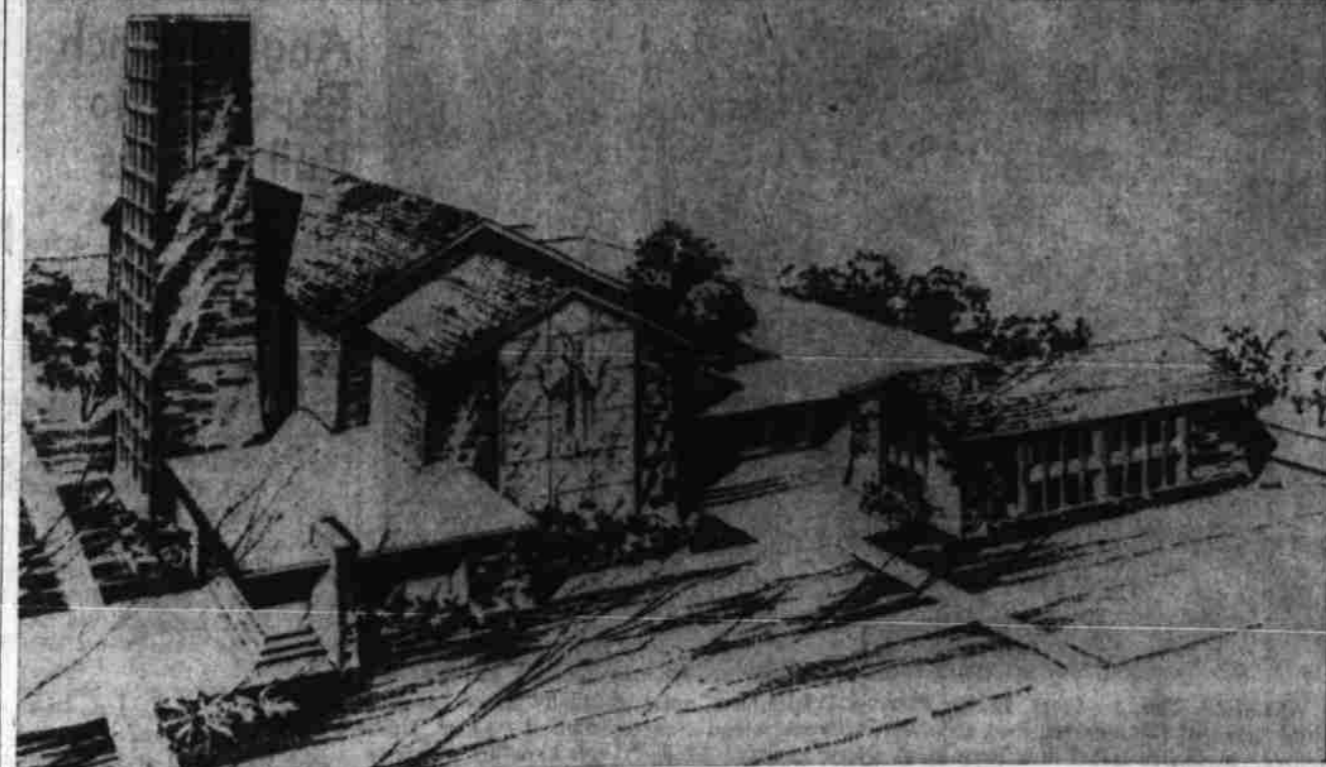
Engineers of SP&S struck Saturday night as a climax to months of negotiations between the railroad and the company's 225 members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. Demands involved wage increases.

Reckless Flying J. C. Moore, SP&S vice-president, was quoted by the AP as saying the strike was "a reckless playing with the economy of the Northwest." He said it would force the company to lay off hundreds of other employees.

The AP said the strike left only the Union Pacific railroad with service out of Portland to Spokane.

Moore said no conference between the railroad and the union has been scheduled.

Plans Approved for New St. Mark's Lutheran Church



Architect's sketch of new half-million dollar St. Mark Lutheran Church shows the one-story building as it will look on completion next fall. Congregation members approved building plans Sunday evening. To be constructed on the southwest corner of Marion and Winter streets, the church will face Marion Street. Main building has 120-foot tower rising on far left side and smaller wing on the right will house Christian education unit.

Dulles, Ike Say Peace Outlook Good

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 2 (AP)—Secretary of State Dulles said today both he and President Eisenhower believe the prospects for peace in the still tense Middle East are "reasonably good."

The cabinet officer, ending a month's convalescence from an intestinal operation, set forth that view in a prepared statement which he said had been approved by Eisenhower.

His remarks that both he and the President feel the chances for peace are reasonably good in the trouble-ridden Middle East were made at a news conference where he discussed the statement.

"Certainly I think anyone must be far gone in pessimism if he thinks the danger of war in the Middle East today is as great as it was a month ago," Dulles said when a reporter declared the prospects for peace in that strategic area have been painted somewhat gloomily in some quarters.

Dulles flew here this morning from Key West, Fla., where he had been convalescing the last two weeks from a Nov. 3 operation which disclosed intestinal cancer. His physicians said at the time they had removed all traces of the malignancy.

Salem Church Okehs New Structure Plans

St. Mark's Lutheran Church approved plans Sunday night for a new half-million dollar church building to be erected on the southwest corner of Marion and Winter streets.

Bids will be let early this week by William I. Williams, Salem architect who assisted Philadelphia church architect Harold E. Wagoner in designing the structure.

Approval was given unanimously at the fourth annual congregational fellowship dinner at Hotel Marion. Church building committee met Saturday afternoon to approve final building plans.

Planned exterior for the one-story building is Colorado pink stone. Structure includes the main building, 70 by 155 feet, and a smaller wing for Christian education activities.

Main floor of the building will include a nave which will seat 700 people, small chapel seating 120, and the administration wing for office and conference rooms. Children's room with glassed-in front is planned for the nave balcony.

Large social hall, Sunday school facilities, kitchen and youth room will be located in the basement. Thirty-one foot stage also is included in basement plans.

Features of the building's exterior include a 120-foot tower with a cross set into the stone and a section of raised marble between the front windows facing Marion Street.

Early Construction Congregation of 700 adult members plans to occupy the building in the early fall, according to the Rev. John L. Cable. Construction work should start in January.

Acceptance of building plans climaxes three years of fund raising and planning for the St. Mark congregation. Group purchased Marion Street property in October, 1954, following the sale of the old church building at 343 N. Church to the Commercial Bank of Salem.

Since that time, the church has remained at its Church Street location, leasing the property from the bank while awaiting completion of building plans.

Seattle Bus Drivers Vote To End Strike

SEATTLE, Dec. 2 (AP)—Members of the Street Car Men's Union who have been on strike against the municipal transit system since Nov. 23, voted today to return to work.

The union meeting was called to give the men a report on the union's unsuccessful attempt yesterday to persuade the state Supreme Court to delay a King County Superior Court injunction ordering the men to stop their strike. The injunction was against the union and three of its officials.

In compliance with the injunction, Walter Nord, president of the union, asked the men to return to their jobs. About 1,000 of the 1,500 members attended the meeting. They agreed to return to their jobs.

Soon after the meeting mechanics and maintenance men reported for work at the transit terminals. Lloyd Graber, general manager of the Seattle Transit System, said "every piece of equipment will be ready to roll Monday morning."

But there was some doubt that all the buses would be back as some of the drivers are out of town and others have secured new jobs.

Missing Boy Found After Hounds Called

DALLAS, Ore., Dec. 2 (AP)—A 15-year-old Falls City boy came out of the woods with his dog Sunday evening after an absence of more than 27 hours.

Norman Wilson's bloodhounds had been on his trail 18 minutes and Polk County sheriff's deputies had been searching almost two hours when he walked home unharmed shortly after 7:30 p.m.

Francis Hurst, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. William F. Hurst, left his home two miles southeast of Falls City on Grant Creek Road about 4 p.m. Saturday with his dog and his deer rifle. Chief Deputy Robert LeFors said.

The boy told deputies he had been unconscious for some time after slipping from a log.

France Gets 1st U. S. Oil

SETE, France, Dec. 2 (AP)—The first of the U. S. oil shipments promised to France in the Suez crisis arrived at this southern port today from Texas aboard the American tanker Silvan Arrow.

The ship carried 28,000 tons of oil for the refineries near here. Three other American tankers, carrying a total of 52,500 tons, are expected.

Rain, Warmer On Forecast

The long spell of clear weather that began in Salem on Nov. 18, will be broken today by some light rain, the U.S. Weather Bureau at McNary Field said Sunday.

Forecast is for some light periods of rain today and Tuesday and slightly warmer temperatures. A high of 50 is expected with a low 35 tonight.

Temperatures rose generally in Oregon Sunday, the Associated Press reported, ending a severe cold spell of several days.

Rain is also expected to hit many parts of the state because of a Pacific storm front, behind which several small disturbances are spread out at 12 to 18 hour intervals across the ocean.

Morse Declares U.S. to Avoid All-Out Conflict

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 2 (AP)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) said today, "we'll avoid an all-out war in the Middle East."

He held a news conference: "If we didn't have the United Nations, we would have war today. The U.N.'s procedure of letting off steam has prevented a war."

Meeting with reporters before addressing a banquet of the Jewish National Fund, Morse described Israel as a "child of the U.N. and the only foothold of freedom in the Middle East."

Soviet Units Raided

VIENNA, Monday, Dec. 3 (AP)—Well-armed Hungarian bands are striking nightly at Soviet units in southern Hungary, reliable reports from Budapest said today.

Statesman Newsman Named Holmes' Aide

(Picture on Page 3.)

Appointment of Thomas G. Wright Jr., as administrative assistant to Oregon Gov. Robert D. Holmes, was announced Sunday by Governor-elect Robert D. Holmes.

Wright, 36, is an eight-year veteran on the news staff of The Oregon Statesman. His appointment was the second to be made by Holmes since he was elected to the governorship Nov. 6. Secretary of Harry R. Swanson Jr., Astoria public relations man, also as an administrative assistant was announced 10 days ago.

A native of Oregon, Wright was born in Sams Valley, Nev., 2, 1920, and was educated in Jackson County and Medford schools before entering the University of Oregon to study Journalism.

He has served as a member of the Marion-Polk county Democratic Club board of directors and as precinct committeeman for Precinct 48 in the South Salem area.

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Boat Tips, 2 Drown; Six Feared Lost

CRESTON, B.C. (CP)—Hope for the safety of six men lost when their boat sank in Kootenay Lake, 30 miles northwest of here, dwindled Sunday night. The bodies of two men already had been recovered.

A boat with six life jackets lashed inside was found floating upside down on the icy lake at 11 a.m. Sunday.

The men—sawmill workers—are believed to have been lost late Friday night on their way from Tye, on the west shore of the lake, to Twin Bays, on the east shore.

The body of Cecil Stoughton, a lifebelt strapped around it, was found Saturday near the center of the lake and Sunday morning that of Hugh Elford, owner-operator of Elford Contracting Co. and the woman's employer, was found Sunday morning.

Later, pilot Ken Huscraft spotted the boat from the air.

Nearly 200 persons and dozens of small craft, as well as aircraft searched Sunday for the six remaining men. Spray from the propellers of motorboats taking part in the search frosts on the vessels.

Moscow Claims Siberia Diamond Field Located

LONDON, Dec. 2 (AP)—Moscow radio claimed today the discovery of diamond deposits in Siberia "at least as great as those in Africa and Brazil."

The broadcast said the recently discovered diamond fields were along the upper reaches of the Vilyuy River, a tributary of the Lena, center of Russia's biggest gold mines.

It said the total volume of the deposits already found is estimated as "many hundreds of thousands of carats."

Yule Party 4 Hours Too Late for Lad

KINSTON, N.C. Dec. 2 (AP)—A special pre-Christmas party to have been held here today for a little leukemia victim has been called off.

Six-year-old Charlie Kennedy for whom all the plans had been made died at noon, four hours before his last party was to have started.

Trigger-Happy Man Slays Half-Brother in Manhunt

(Picture on Wirephoto Page.)

SHAMROCK, Tex., Dec. 2 (AP)—A posse captured a trigger-happy gunman today crouching beside the slugging body of his half-brother, whom he said he shot by mistake. The capture came after an all-night manhunt for the pair in this Oklahoma-Texas border area.

Family Car

By Wally Falk

The pair earlier killed a rancher's teenage son, who was a possessor, and wounded two officers in blazing gunfights.

Officers named the slain gunman as Junior Bard Myers, 32, with numerous aliases, including Robert Earl Hunter and Robert Myers. He was from Greeley, Colo., and had a long arrest record in the Southwest and on the West Coast.

The captured gunman gave the name of James William Whitford, 21, Phoenix, Ariz. Officers said he apparently had no record but also went under the name of James Hunter.

Killed yesterday at dusk while hunting for the pair was Victor Lee Stephens, 19, son of a ranch owner on whose place the shooting occurred during a gun battle.

Texas Ranger Jim Paulk said Whitford had signed a statement saying he shot Myers during the night in the belief he was firing at an officer after the two fugitives became separated in the darkness. Whitford said he blasted away with a sawed-off shotgun at a figure he saw in the brush and stayed where he was until officers found him today.

He denied knowing anything about the shooting of Stephens.

Car Spurns Driver's Commands in Wild 'Flight'

WINDSOR, Conn., Dec. 2 (AP)—Seventeen-year-old Cynthia Moran set out today in the family car to drive her 14-year-old brother David to church. They never got there.

Here's what police said happened:

About a mile from home the engine started racing madly. Cynthia put on the footbrake, then the hand brake, but the car continued to pick up speed.

She came to the top of Broad St. just before 10 a.m., and the car began to race the six blocks downhill toward the center of town—pop. 12,000.

At the bottom of the hill Cynthia saw some 40 churchgoers about to cross the street. Patrolman Robert Christensen stood in the street directing traffic.

She turned off the ignition on the car, but the engine still roared. While she was racing down the hill she tried to fight the shift lever into neutral but it wouldn't budge.

So she drove the car up on the esplanade, "straddling" it, and roared down the middle of the boulevard, the horn blaring, toward the crowded intersection, picking up speed all the time. Christensen shouted for the people to get back, then jumped himself.

He estimated the car was doing between 70 and 75 m.p.h. when it went through the intersection.

Just then Cynthia managed to get the gears into reverse.

The car spun around, jumped over the esplanade backwards, and hit an oncoming car head-on.

Cynthia and her brother, shaking, got out, as did the other driver, Albert Turgeon, 67, another churchgoer.

The motor of Cynthia's car was still racing and its rear bumper was hooked with the front bumper of Turgeon's car.

Suddenly, both empty cars, locked together, started to move. They wheeled backwards in a circle, bouncing over the esplanade, going in one lane and then the other, at a speed of 20 to 25 miles an hour.

Patrolman Christensen ran along beside them, and after they went by him five or six times he managed to jump aboard Cynthia's car.

He said it was all he could do to stop the car with the foot brake.

When he finally stopped it, the other came to a halt as well, and before they could start moving

Tragic Mishaps Claim 3 Victims

Hunter Drowns in Willamette River; Rail-Crossing Accident Adds to Weekend Toll

Tragic accidents took the lives of three persons in the Salem area Sunday.

Gaylon Dwayne Amen, 27, of 820 Highland Ave., drowned in Willamette River after the boat in which he was duck hunting with a friend overturned near Wheatland Ferry, 10 miles north of Salem.

A Eugene youth died under the wheels of a Southern Pacific train near the Market Street crossing in Salem after apparently tripping over a rail. He was identified by police as Emerson Lyndon Harris Jr., 17, who was living with a sister, Miss Dorothy Harris, 11305 Nebraska Ave., in Salem.

Four Corners Youth, 15, Dead From Pistol Wound

Statesman News Service

FOUR CORNERS, Dec. 2 (AP)—A 15-year-old Four Corners area youth died early Sunday morning at a Salem hospital from a gunshot wound suffered at his home late Saturday night. State police and the Marion County coroner's office said the youth accidentally shot himself.

Officers listed the victim as Floyd Gene Elgin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Elgin, 4655 State St. His parents found him in an upstairs bedroom with a head wound after hearing a shot about 10:45 p.m. A .22 automatic pistol was nearby.

The youth was rushed to a hospital by Willamette ambulance but died at 2:57 a.m.

State Police Sgt. Wayne Huffman said young Elgin apparently was lying on a bed playing with the pistol when it discharged. The bullet struck the youth in the left temple.

Elgin was a student at Leslie High School and was born in Fairbault, Minn.

He is survived by his parents; six sisters, Annabelle, Katherine, Darlene, all of Salem; Mrs. Helen Apalde, Salem; Mrs. Lucille Cousins, Portland; Mrs. Mildred Fockler, Fairbault, Minn.; and four brothers, Raymond and Frederick, Portland; George, United States Air Force, and Donald, Salem.

Services will be announced later by the Howell-Edwards Mortuary.

Life Ends

FLOYD GENE ELGIN Victim of Gunshot

New Ballots Ordered for Salem Heights Water Vote

By CHARLES IRELAND Valley Editor, The Statesman

New ballots were ordered printed Sunday for use in today's Salem Heights Water District election, and early voters may find the ink still wet on them.

Water District Manager Rollo Wilson said the new ballots were scheduled to be delivered shortly before 8 a.m. today when polls open for the spirited election at Salem Heights Community Hall. The polls will close at 8 p.m.

Wilson said the district decided to order new ballots after objection was voiced to the original ballots having no space for writing in names. He said the new ballots provide space for writing in.

With some 1,000 families eligible to cast ballots, a large vote is anticipated.

Several Elections The Salem Heights election stands out today in a series of fire and water district elections involving many mid-valley residents who live beyond city limits.

One of the big elections is at Four Corners, where residents of the new East Salem Water District will decide on a \$225,000 bond issue. The funds would be used to construct a water system.

Residents of an 800-house area immediately south of Salem also have a 10:30 a.m. date today at Marion County Courthouse where a county court hearing is scheduled on a proposed sanitary district.

Other in Vote Other suburban water districts electing directors today include Vista Heights, Keizer and Four Corners.

Suburban fire districts electing board members include Middle Grove, Wallace Road, Liberty-Salem Heights, Keizer, Four Corners and Eola. The latter also will vote on a tax levy in its election at Salem Academy.

In most cases, polls will be open from 2 to 8 p.m. The Salem Heights and Four Corners water elections are scheduled 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

A single candidate has been nominated for director in most suburban elections. Ballot competition not reported previously includes Four Corners, where Raymond Russell and William Zenger are candidates for one five-year term on the water board, and where Wilbur Flood and Ivan Brown are candidates for a five-year term on the fire board.

Other elections not reported previously include Vista Heights Water District, voting at Vista Market, Ted Hobart candidate; Liberty-Salem Heights Fire District, Salem Heights Community Hall (2 to 8 p.m. only), Ted Thompson, candidate; Keizer Water District, Frank Hughes candidate, and Keizer Fire District, Walter Robinson candidate, both at Keizer Fire Hall.

Outlying rural fire protection districts also will elect directors today.

Students Riot At University Over Meals

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Dec. 2 (AP)—Between 1,300 and 1,500 students in two University of Michigan dormitory units rioted tonight over what they termed the poor quality of the evening meal.

Shouting, "We want good food," residents of the South Quadrangle began thumping their plates and silverware in unison at the evening meal of corned beef, Swiss cheese, vanilla pudding and milk.

The rioting soon spread from one South Quadrangle dining room to all four and dormitory officials closed food lines and cleared the rooms.

The students then started for the West Quadrangle, another dormitory unit, and mingled in the streets between the two while police squads rushed to the scene to restore order.

Pub Patrons Blink But Beer-Drinking Elephant Gets Suds

HALIFAX, England, Dec. 2 (AP)—A beer-drinking elephant showed up outside the bar of the Halfpenny Hotel and stuck a long, thirsty trunk through pub keeper William McNamara's window.

"Bring her some beer," said Albert Keen, the elephant's keeper.

The barman rubbed his eyes. Two customers blinked. A third dashed for a rear door.

McNamara drew a gallon of beer in pints and slid the soda in front of Jumbo. She drank it all.

The keeper from a touring circus paid for the beer and commented: "She likes it strong. It keeps her happy."

Winston's Pub In Competition With Churchill's

LONDON, Dec. 2 (AP)—A new night club named "Winston's" opened directly across the street from a rather noisy place called "Churchill's."

The manager of "Winston's" is a former partner of "Churchill's."

"In Britain's famous former prime minister, Sir Winston Churchill, aware of the club's existence — and their names?" "Yes," said one of Sir Winston's secretaries who asked about it, "and he's not amused."

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