

### Airport Funds Get Group OK

Washington, April 6 (AP)—Tentative authority to contract for expenditure of \$36,500,000 of federal funds for additions and improvements to airports throughout the country has been recommended by the house appropriations committee.

The authorization is included with money recommended for the commerce department's civil aeronautics administration for the year beginning July 1. The house is scheduled to begin consideration of the bill today.

In each instance local authorities are required to guarantee their share of the expense before the contracts may be carried out.

Among the projects by states, including the amounts to be raised locally, with the federal contributions in parentheses (all are municipal airports unless otherwise designated):

Oregon: Portland airport—\$353,285 (\$450,000); Eugene—Mahlon Sweet field, \$39,300 (\$50,000); Medford—\$10,700 (\$25,000); Salem—McNary field, \$11,800 (\$15,000); Pendleton airport—\$43,300 (\$55,000); Troutdale airport—\$58,880 (\$75,000); McMinnville—\$12,300 (\$15,000); Astoria—Clatsop airport, \$8,800 (\$10,000).

Under a present contract with the CAA on the match-funds basis the city of Salem has already expended approximately \$20,000 at McNary field, the government's share to be returned to the city.

Some of the work on the contract let last fall remains to be completed at the airport and it is expected the contractor will resume his work with the assurance of good weather. Most of that remaining is paving work. It also includes the building of an apron.

### Legion Pressure For Vet Pensions

Washington, April 6 (AP)—Some members of the house veterans committee today criticized the American Legion's method of supporting the new veterans' pension bill.

John Thomas Taylor, the Legion's legislative director, recently called upon all Legion posts and auxiliary units to put pressure on congress to pass the legislation. The bill would authorize \$72-a-month pensions for all World War I veterans, 65 or over, who could pass a test of need.

In his "legislative bulletin," Taylor told Legion members that "we have been successful in the past in defeating those who opposed just and proper benefits for veterans."

"We will succeed on this important legislation," he said. Rep. Glenn R. Davis, (R., Wis.), a member of the veterans committee, said this statement was a "thinly-veiled threat of political reprisal."

Rep. Olin E. Teague (D., Tex.) a purple heart veteran of World War II, said Taylor "does more damage to the veterans' cause on Capitol Hill than any other man in Washington."

### Hopewell Cemetery Directors Elected

Hopewell—Clyde M. LaFollette, president; Lowell Campbell, Henry Deedon, Peter Parvin and Charles Sargeant were elected on board of directors at the annual business meeting of the Hopewell Pioneer Cemetery association held at the Hopewell United Brethren church.

A committee with Henry Deedon, chairman, will meet at the church Monday evening, April 18 to lay plans for more water for irrigation, possibly one of several strong springs in the vicinity of the cemetery.

Reduction in annual fees for upkeep of lots from \$3 to \$2 was voted. The Lee Boaz family at Wheatland will continue sextons.

### Albany Stamp Sale Volume Increasing

Albany—Volume of stamp window receipts at the Albany post office during March rose to \$9,838.98 and set a new all-time high March record, and a new all-time high first quarter mark was also established when March records were compiled, Postmaster Tom Palmer announces. Last month's receipts were \$320 above those for March, 1948, while those for the quarter topped those of the first quarter in 1948 by \$1,610.52 upon reaching a volume of \$29,423.48.

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### Bridges Told to Leave the CIO

San Francisco, April 6 (AP)—An invitation for west coast longshoremen to leave the CIO if they don't like it spurred a continuing convention fight over union policy today.

Convention sessions of the CIO International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union continued behind closed doors.

But sources within the convention said R. J. Thomas, national CIO director of organization, yesterday bristled at a charge that the ILWU was a victim of CIO discrimination. These sources said Thomas told the 200 delegates:

"If you don't like the way the CIO works, why not get the hell out?"

The union and the National CIO have been at odds for many months. Harry Bridges, international president, first clashed with the CIO leadership over its endorsement of the Marshall plan and its condemnation of Henry Wallace's candidacy for president.

But Bridges has said on several occasions he would not bolt the CIO.

Convention speakers delivered new grievances against the CIO. They declared the national CIO's Portland convention in November was "stacked" against left wing unions. Bridges has termed the ILWU a left wing body.

Autonomy of all international unions is threatened, convention speakers charged.

### U of N Tackles Commie Purges

Lake Success, April 6 (AP)—The United States proposed today that the UN assembly decide whether communist prosecution of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty violated the Hungarian peace treaty.

The U.S. proposal also would have the assembly look into Bulgaria's trial of 15 Protestant clergymen.

The American move brought a quick protest from the Soviet bloc. Polish Delegate Juliusz Katz-Suchy challenged the right of the UN to deal with the trials at all, contending that these were strictly internal matters.

Hungary, although not a member of the UN, protested in a communication received yesterday against any UN review of the Mindszenty case.

Warren R. Austin, chief U.S. delegate, offered the American suggestion in the assembly's 14-nation steering committee as a substitute for Australian and Bolivian proposals concerning prosecutions of the Hungarian Catholic primates and the Bulgarian Protestants.

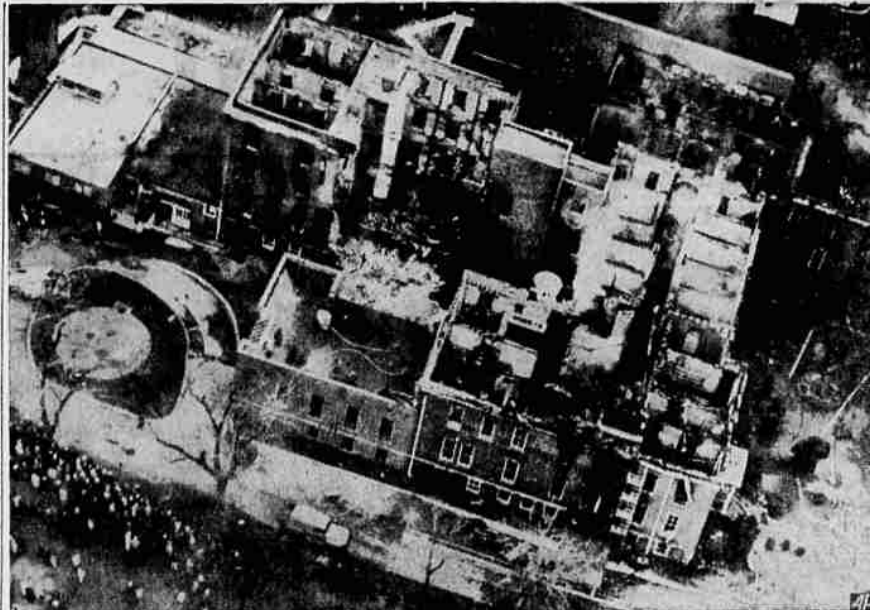
The committee is expected to decide whether the assembly should take up the issue at its current session which opened yesterday at Flushing Meadow Park, New York. The delegates moved to Lake Success this morning for a series of committee meetings.

Austin's move came as Russia and the western powers squared off for their opening battle of the session.



**Purged**—Deputy Premier Traicho Kostov (above) was among 300 Bulgarian Communists arrested in a widespread purge of members who refused to take orders from Moscow. Kostov, who had been the No. 2 Red in Bulgaria, was charged with espionage for imperialist powers and expelled from the Communist Party and Politburo. (Acme Telephoto)

**9TH Anniversary Week**  
At  
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### Hospital Fire Death Toll 69

Effingham, Ill., April 6 (AP)—The toll of known dead and reported missing in the nation's second most tragic hospital fire was placed at 69 today by hospital officials.

They said 55 bodies have been recovered—two still unidentified—and 14 persons are listed as missing in Tuesday's fire at St. Anthony's hospital.

Earlier, a list compiled by Associated Press reporters and official sources at the scene showed 50 bodies recovered and had 30 persons reported missing.

The 61-year-old hospital was destroyed within an hour early Tuesday.

More bodies were dug from the rubble today as the heart-sick city of 8000 began burying some of the 13 newborn babies who perished.

At nearby St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church, the Rev. Gerald Weigand sang a requiem mass for the repose of the souls of all the dead.

Fire inspectors, meanwhile, investigated unconfirmed reports that stored paint or an arsonist might have caused the fire. The FBI in Chicago and state police at Effingham denied a published story that they were investigating an arson report.

The mother superior of the hospital said the only stored paint was in the undamaged boiler room.

Records of the hospital, the only one in this south central Illinois community of 8,600 were lost.

### Mt. Angel Sets Clean-up Week

Mt. Angel—Mt. Angel is to have a cleanup week, beginning next Monday, April 11 and continuing to April 16, the city council announced at its meeting in the city hall this week.

Every home is expected to cooperate, burn all trash, trim lawns and curbs, in short give the city a well-kept look. Firemen will be on hand to supervise the usual Friday trash fires.

Bent on improving the looks of the city, the council went further and ordered a public hearing for April 20 to consider the disposal of objectionable property which it feels is a drawback to the appearance of Mt. Angel.

At the same meeting there will be a public reading of a building ordinance, regulating future construction within the city, which the council proposes to adopt and enforce.

The street committee reported that all the streets were now in better condition than they had been for quite some time. All ungraveled streets which suffered heavily from the past winter have now been graded and graveled.

The water commissioner, Joseph Hassler, stated that the laying of water pipes is progressing satisfactorily with a few more hundred feet to be laid on St. Mary's avenue and Gilles street. An order for more pipe was tabled until the next meeting to permit the necessary investigation as to need and price.

Fire Chief Joseph Berchold handed in his report and asked that expenses be allowed for one member of the fire department to attend the convention at North Bend May 12, 13 and 14 as a local delegate. His request was granted.

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Joan Fontaine  
Burt Lancaster  
in  
**THE UNAFFRAID**  
and  
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### Georgians Vote Against Schools

(By the Associated Press)  
Georgia voters gave new authority yesterday to the old political axiom that people won't tax themselves—they snowed under with ballots a long-talked program for improved schools, hospitals and other state services.

While the Georgia votes were being counted there were other developments from state and local elections:

1. The victory of republicans in contests for key state offices in Michigan set off republican claims that the results of Monday's voting there show what will happen nationally in 1950.

2. Democrats in St. Louis wrested the offices of mayor and comptroller, and control of the board of aldermen from republicans.

3. Zion, Ill., wiped out the last of its famous Sunday blue laws. The citizens erased laws against business and entertainment on Sunday.

4. Mayor Fletcher Bowron held a two to one lead over his nearest opponent in Los Angeles' city non partisan primary but faced the likelihood of a runoff against City Engineer Lloyd Aldrich for the office Bowron has held 12 years.

5. Late returns from Kansas Monday voting under the state's new liquor law favored licensing of package stores in a number of cities that had voted dry last November.

### PGE Applies for Rate Increases

Portland General Electric company has filed revised tariffs with Public Utilities Commissioner Geo. H. Flagg, providing for rate increases throughout their entire territory, amounting to \$2,170,740 on an annual basis.

These tariffs replace a filing of January 19, asking for increased rates in all communities served with the exception of Salem. In the new application Salem is included.

The revised tariffs have been suspended, and the matter set for hearing at the courthouse in Portland on Monday, April 18, 1949, at 10 a.m.

The application of the Pacific Power & Light company for rates that would give an annual increase in gross revenue of approximately \$355,771, affecting users in Portland and Rainier, has been set for hearing on the 20th, also at the Multnomah county courthouse.

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PLUS CARTOON - NEWS

### Stocks Decline Irregularly

New York, April 6 (AP)—The stock market was unable to make much headway up or down today.

The general run of stocks coasted along at slightly lower levels most of the time. Highly selective buying, though, raised some issues to the year's top prices. Utility shares were among those favored.

Turnover was at the rate of about 900,000 shares for the full session, or unchanged from yesterday.

Leaning ahead were Montgomery Ward, Woolworth, U. S. Lines, North American Co., Richfield Oil, and Paramount Pictures.

Republic Pictures common and preferred moved up for a while in response to news the preferred dividend had been resumed but full advances were not maintained.

Others trending lower included U. S. Steel, General Motors, Sears Roebuck, Douglas Aircraft, Lockheed, Kennecott Copper, DuPont, Southern Pacific, Pan American Airways and Mission Corp.

**65,500 Still Jobless**  
Oregon still has 65,500 unemployed persons, which is a drop of 26,000 from the February peak. But it is 20,000 more than at this time in 1947 or 1948.



**Waterproof Hat**—A Hattie Carnegie hat of Luce-lon, a plastic that sheds water, is demonstrated in New York.

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### Brooks Explains Rule of Russia

Russell Brooks, former American consul in Europe, outlined the structure of the Soviet government and detailed the network of the communist party Wednesday for members of the Salem Exchange club to explain the power pyramid of the USSR.

Brooks pointed out that the communist government of Russia offers no riddle for anyone "if he understands the political system." He explained that the government was based on the theory of a class society with a goal of world revolution.

The former consul asserted that the government of the Soviet was a "fictitious facade" for the dictatorship of the communist party which is headed by Stalin.

As for Stalin, Brooks said he had information which led him to believe that the communist dictator was "going to pass out soon" and that he would most likely be replaced by Molotov.

Brooks expressed the opinion, however, that there would be little change in the relationship between the west and east as the result of any top changes in the USSR. He said that the theories born with Karl Marx' publications were "like a religion" and that they would continue to guide the dictatorship.

Communist party members, even a small minority group in the Soviet Union, are unapproachable, Brooks claimed. Many are even forced to live separately from their families and non-party members to "keep them free from outside contamination."

He said the strength of the organization was based on an absolute unity of opinion within the party and complete subservience of each unit of the group to the unit above it.

The only weakness of the communist move which has evidenced itself in the war of words and diplomacy with the west has come from the conflict between the absolute theories of communism and the nationalism of nations behind the iron curtain.

Prior to Brooks' remarks, Ivan White, an allied military government official from the free territory of Trieste briefly outlined the problems of that area.

### Silverton Dam Action Delayed

Silverton—Dr. A. W. Simmons, for many years active in the accomplishments of the Silverton Water Commission, was asked as guest speaker to attend the Monday night meeting of the aldermen at the city hall, when consideration was up before the body concerning the recommendation of the city planning commission for the raising of \$79,000 for a concrete dam and pipe lines for the installing of a new system.

The speaker was able to present valuable information as to location of the proposed dam, the amount of water available from certain sections of the Abiqua, the general cost of the project necessary, and of the greatest importance, the required needs of water users in a fast growing town.

To ascertain certain facts in connection with the building of the dam and lines, Reber Allen, George Christenson and Errol Ross were named as a committee to report at a special meeting of the council in the near future, the date to be designated the mayor. No definite action was taken.

Life insurance owned in the United States at the end of 1947 totalled \$188,000,000,000.

### To Investigate Pearson's Story

A. C. Offenstien of Salem, president of Salem Local 247, International Printing Pressman's union, has been informed by J. H. De la Rosa, president of the international, that relations by Drew Pearson relative to financial manipulations of the union's late president, George L. Berry, are being investigated.

The information to Offenstien came in a telegram Tuesday from De la Rosa. The Pearson story was published in the Capital Journal also Tuesday.

"We understand," says De la Rosa's telegram, "that some newspapers will carry a story by Drew Pearson, in his Wash-

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ington Merry-Go-Round column, viciously attacking our late president, George L. Berry, the terms of his will, and the relation of the International Playing Card & Label company to the international union, and our interest therein.

"Your board of directors and the Home (Pressman's Home) trustees have previously met in December, 1948, and February, 1949, and have this entire matter under study and investigation. When this study is completed your board of directors and the Home trustees will act promptly in the best interest of the membership of the international union."

Berry was for some years United States senator from Tennessee.

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