

# River Course Will Change in Ninety Days

## Caravan Party Told Santiam Will Shift to Diversion Tunnel

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Within 90 days the portion of the North Santiam river at the Detroit dam site will be shunted from its normal course into a 1400-foot diversion tunnel to provide a dry river bed for dam construction work.

The 25-foot tunnel, to be drilled through solid rock by the Consolidated Builders, Inc., dam contractors, has already been started and will be rushed to completion.

Members of a 35-car caravan headed by army engineers and members of the Willamette Valley basin commission, were amazed at the progress made in the preliminary work for the huge Detroit dam.

A huge marshalling yard has been set up and on which machine shops and offices for the contractor will be erected, and heavy machinery will be operated during the dam construction period. This yard is located just below the damsite.

### Clearing for Towers

About three miles below the Detroit dam the army engineers plan Big Cliff dam to serve as a regulating dam to care for high surges of water and control the water flow. At this dam power will be generated on a 24-hour basis while at Detroit the power generation will be restricted to the peak hours.

Clearing is rapidly being completed for the 105 steel transmission wire towers being erected by the Bonneville Power Administration. These lines will bring power into the dam for operation of the machines needed by the contractors in their work and after the dams have been completed will carry the generated power back into the north-west power pool.

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# Straus Protests Slash in Funds

Washington, June 13 (AP)—Reclamation Commissioner Michael Straus said today that a 15 percent cut made by the house in reclamation funds "could very well lead to shutdowns" on some projects.

The cut made by the house on budget recommendations for reclamation construction — from \$350,459,455 to \$296,530,537 — was done in the theory that costs will drop 15 percent within the year beginning July 1.

The house appropriations committee said if this decrease does not occur the reclamation bureau may come back for more money later.

Straus told a senate appropriations subcommittee that even if hopes for a decline in costs are realized, "only a small part of our program could possibly benefit by these hoped-for drops."

"That makes it a mathematical certainty today that funds beyond those now in this bill will be required during the coming fiscal year to execute the house approved program," he added.

# Cherry Picking in Orchards Under Way

Seasonal labor appears to be in sufficient supply to fill the demands of the growers of cherries and strawberries, reports W. H. Baillie, manager of the Salem office of the state employment service Monday. A total of 38 growers appeared at the office during the morning and departed with loads of cherry and strawberry pickers.

Cherries will come off the trees in increasing volume during the next few days. However, the strawberry harvest is on the wane and picking, even in the higher elevations will be over for commercial purposes within another 10 days.

# Maria Giuseppa Raised to Sainthood

Vatican City, June 13 (AP)—Pope Pius XII has raised to sainthood the blessed Maria Giuseppa Rossello, who founded the Order of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy.

Saint Maria Giuseppa, who was born in 1811 at Albisola on the Italian Riviera, died in 1890. The order she founded cared for wayward or abandoned girls and trained them in the care of the sick or poor.

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# Standard Oil Held Violator Anti-Trust Law

Washington, June 13 (AP)—The supreme court today decided the Standard Oil company of California violated anti-trust laws by contracting with independent gasoline dealers to buy all their fuel from Standard.

The decision was handed down on a Standard Oil appeal which said that to hold the company guilty of violating the anti-trust statutes would have "immeasurably disastrous" effects on business practices.

Justice Frankfurter delivered the 5-4 decision.

### 4 Judges Dissent

Justice Jackson wrote a dissent in which Chief Justice Vinson and Justice Burton joined. Justice Douglas wrote a dissent. Joining Frankfurter on the majority side were Justices Black, Reed, Murphy, and Rutledge.

The majority opinion declared that Standard Oil's contract had the effect of lessening competition in both interstate and intrastate commerce.

But Douglas in a stinging dissent asserted that the court's elimination of the Standard Oil contracts system "sets the stage for Standard and other oil companies to build service-station empires of their own."

"The opinion of the court," Douglas added, "does more than set the stage for that development."

"It is an advisory opinion as well, stating to the oil companies how they can with impunity build their empires."

Douglas said he interprets the majority opinion as suggesting a formula for "use of the 'agency' device." That, in practical effects, Douglas said, "means acquisition of filling stations by subsidiary corporations of the oil company."

"Today there is vigorous competition between the oil companies for the market. That competition has left some room for the survival of the independents. But when this inducement for their survival is taken away, we can expect that the oil companies will move in to supplant them with their own stations."

"There will still be competition between the oil companies. But, there will be a tragic loss to the nation. The small, independent business man will be supplanted by clerks."

"The requirements contract which is displaced by today's decision is relatively innocuous as compared with the virulent growth of monopoly power which the court encourages."

"The court does not act unwittingly. It constantly pushes the oil company in that direction. The court approves what the anti-trust laws were designed to prevent. It helps remake America in the image of the cartel."

### State Grange at Coos Bay

Coos Bay, June 13 (AP)—The Oregon state Grange opened its 78th annual convention here today with more than 700 farmers from throughout the state in the halls.

# Lewis and Big Steel Confer As Coal Miners Quit Work

Philadelphia, June 13 (AP)—John L. Lewis and U. S. Steel Corp. officials went into a contract talking session today as the nation's 480,000 coal miners quit work in a week-long walkout.

Lewis ordered his United Mine Workers out of the pits to "stabilize" the industry. He said the demand.

The meetings, as usual, were closed. There was no advance announcement of what Lewis will seek for his miners.

But it is considered likely he will ask for a "share-the-work" program under which miners would receive the same pay and work whether coal demand is heavy or light.

Many mines have been working only part time recently because of the large supply of coal on hand.

Today's meeting with without precedent. The U. S. Steel never before has met with Lewis while a walkout was in progress.

Present for the union were Lewis, Executive Vice President Thomas Kennedy and District Presidents William Mitch (20) of Birmingham, Ala.; John Busarello (5) of Pittsburgh and William Hynes (4) of Uniontown, Pa.

# Atomic Energy Chief Scientists Endorse Board

Washington, June 13 (AP)—Nine scientists who advise the Atomic Energy commission sent congress a statement today saying the AEC has developed "a sound and forward looking program."

They called the progress "clear proof of the competency of the devotion to duty of the commission."

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, who helped develop the atomic bomb, read the statement to the congressional committee investigating the AEC's management. He said it was adopted unanimously by the nine-member AEC scientific advisory committee.

Oppenheimer is chairman of the advisory committee. The statement said that when the civilian committee took over the atomic project from the army in 1946 the "future of the whole development was uncertain and production of A-bombs was 'nearly stagnant.'"

Under questioning, Oppenheimer said he is "very much satisfied" with what the AEC has done except for one thing— "I think the commission can go further toward making information public which is now secret."

For himself, Oppenheimer warmly defended the policy of exporting certain type of radioactive isotopes for research.

In response to questions, he said he knows of no way that Russia would be helped in the atomic energy race if the Soviets should get hold of some of the isotopes.

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# Brannan Urges New Farm Plan

Des Moines, June 13 (AP)—Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan called today for public support of Truman administration farm policies to help prevent the "greatest economic crash in history."

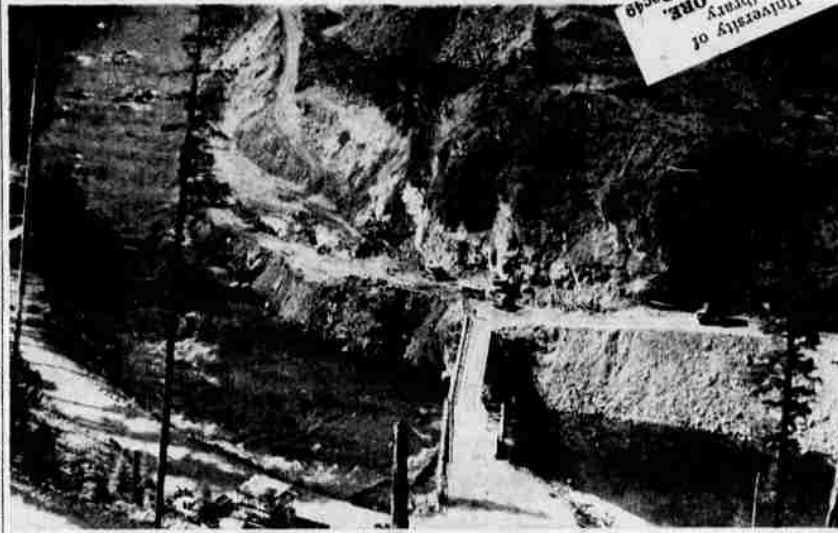
America's farm productive power, he said, is like atomic energy—it can be used for either good or bad.

But the nation need not fear this power, the cabinet officer said, if it supports the democratic party. That party, he added, has been the only one in history to support "effective farm programs" aimed at serving the whole country.

Brannan made this bid for continued support of his party in a speech prepared for a two-day midwestern democratic conference to lay plans for 1950 congressional campaigns in a 16-state farm belt area that contributed heavily to Mr. Truman's victory last year.

He offered a new farm plan advanced by himself before congress recently as the best means proposed yet for preventing a "farm-fed and farm-led" depression which, he added, could destroy democracy.

The secretary described as "inadequate" the so-called Aiken long-range farm law passed by the republican 80th congress and scheduled to go into effect in 1950. He said it would not offer enough income protection to prevent a farm depression.



Construction Advances at Detroit Dam—Tour of Willamette valley dam projects reveals expanding construction at Detroit dam site where bulldozers and power shovels are now reducing barriers preliminary to dam building. Top: Bridge for construction purposes spans the Santiam at the damsite allowing passage of machinery to the south bank where a diversion tunnel is now being excavated for carrying the river during dam construction. Lower: Machinery assembled for usage in dam building is marshaled in this yard below the construction area.

# City Firemen's Pensions Held Cheapest by Roble

Fire Chief William P. Roble Monday answered those who claim it would be cheaper for the firemen to switch to the state retirement fund rather than keep the present city fund.

Citing specific figures on the 55 firemen, Roble showed the present annual city contribution to the firemen's own fund as \$21,548.85. He pointed to another column, basing contributions on the city would have to make to put the department under the state system. Using the state rates, he found the city's contribution would jump to \$27,260.70.

This showed the present retirement plan for firemen was cheaper by \$5711.85 than it would be under the state plan, Roble said.

Compared to few people ever did make that much and no one it appeared from treasury records today, has been able to get that much pay out of a company since mid-war 1944, when Film Producer Leo McCarey was credited with \$1,113,035 for 12 months' efforts.

A new treasury list shows America's best paid corporation employe in 1947 (or fiscal years spilling over into 1948) got \$810,000—\$175,300 less than he got to be No. 1 the previous year also. The list showed salaries as they stood before payment of heavy taxes.

The top man, and it's his third straight year as such, is Greek-born Charles P. Skouras, president of National Theatres Amusement Co., Inc., and of Fox West Coast Agency Corp.

The top salaried woman for 1947 was Movie Star Betty Grable, although the \$208,000 list.

# Belgian Troops Seized Bergkamen Plant

Duesseldorf, Germany, June 13 (AP)—Belgian troops with armored cars and machine guns today seized a synthetic oil works at Bergkamen, where German workers had defied British attempts to dismantle the plant.

With four armored cars, the troops battered down a barricade of light vehicles which the German had thrown across the road to the Chemischewerke Essener Stinkohle plant.

# Mac Rebukes Red Duplicity

Tokyo, June 13 (AP)—General MacArthur told Russia today she was inciting "disorder and violence" in Japan. The supreme allied occupation commander also accused the Soviets of "inconsistent demagoguery."

In a blistering reply to a letter from the Russian mission chief charging that Japanese labor was being suppressed, MacArthur said:

"The Soviet letter, replete with inaccuracies and misrepresentations of fact, could be disregarded as routine Soviet propaganda did it not so completely mask the Soviet role as an inciter of disorder and violence in an otherwise orderly Japanese society."

"The thorough duplicity of its apparent championship of fundamental human rights on the one hand and the Soviet callous indifference to the release for repatriation of Japanese prisoners of war on the other, its talk of greater liberality for Japanese workers and the Soviet practice of labor exploitation, is a shocking demonstration of inconsistent demagoguery."

The letter which drew MacArthur's fire was written by Lt. Gen. K. N. Derevyanko, chief of the Soviet mission here and member of the allied council for Japan.

The Russian accused MacArthur of not taking "any measures to prevent these actions that constitute violation of the Potsdam agreement and of the Far East commission's policy decisions pertaining to the democratization of Japan."

Washington, June 13 (AP)—The nomination of Leonard A. Ficker as postmaster at Mt. Angel, Ore., has been confirmed by the senate.

# Court Upholds Contempt Conviction of Film Writers

Washington, June 13 (AP)—The U. S. circuit court of appeals ruled today that a congressional committee has the right to demand that a witness say whether or not he is a communist.

The decision upheld contempt convictions of Screen Writers John Howard Lawson and Dalton Trumbo.

For Lawson and Trumbo, the ruling moved them one step closer toward actually serving one-year jail sentences. The sentences, plus \$1,000 fines, were meted out in U. S. district court because they refused to tell the house un-American activities committee last year whether or not they are communists.

All Lawson and Trumbo, now free on bond, can do is appeal to the supreme court. They are certain to do that.

Eight other movie figures are in the same boat with them. Their trials have been delayed by agreement pending outcome of the Lawson-Trumbo appeal.

The unanimous decision of the three judges—Bennett Champ Clark, Wilbur K. Miller and George C. Sweeney—said that considering the times, and the

# Big 4 Reach Showdown on German Crisis

## Consultations On with Home Governments on Secret Proposals

Paris, June 13 (AP)—The Big Four conference on Germany reached the showdown stage today, with both east and west urgently consulting their governments on new secret proposals.

The conference was in recess for the day. The suspension of formal sessions was by mutual agreement.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Vishinsky needed time to consult Moscow on a "last chance" proposal by the west, and to get directions for his answer. The proposal was believed to involve a limited agreement on resumption of German trade and free access to Berlin.

The western powers needed time to consider Vishinsky's counter-suggestions and his initial reaction to the west's plan for preventing this conference from becoming a total failure.

To guard against premature leaks, Secretary of State Dean Acheson imposed an unusually rigid gag rule on members of his delegation. He forbade them to talk about the secret deal now in the works.

"Some proposals have been made which need consideration," one western delegation spokesman said. "It is still hoped that his meeting will end by the end of this week. But Mr. Vishinsky is awaiting instructions."

"Don't go on the assumption, however, that the western powers were the only ones to make proposals during the last few days of secret meetings and behind the scenes meetings."

As a result of the secrecy, rumors mushroomed. Some said the proposals under study would remain secret, and might never be put in writing. They suggested a "gentlemen's agreement."

Others speculated on an agreement for another meeting of the heads of state.

Meeting in open session Sunday, the ministers accomplished nothing except an exchange of witty remarks set off by Secretary of State Dean Acheson.

Acheson said Soviet proposals for Germany revealed so far were "as full of propaganda as a dog is of fleas."

"In fact," Acheson said, "I would say it was all fleas and no dog."

# Senate Group Asks for Slash

Washington, June 13 (AP)—A resolution directing President Truman to trim 5 to 10 percent off funds voted by congress for executive agencies was approved today by the senate expenditures committee.

Chairman McClellan (D. Ark.) said the committee voted 8 to 2 for the resolution and added he will introduce it immediately.

He estimated that approval of the resolution by congress and the president would mean savings of \$2,000,000,000 to \$4,000,000,000 in federal expenditures in the fiscal year starting July 1.

McClellan said he hoped that it would depend on how federal tax receipts hold up.

The committee acted in the midst of a quarrel between President Truman and the senate appropriations committee over slashing European recovery funds.

The McClellan committee resolution applies to all executive agencies and departments. McClellan told reporters that it does not apply to funds for congress or the judiciary.

# Big 4 Powers End Berlin Talks In Stalemate

## No Sign of Agreement On All-German Trade And Transport

Berlin, June 13 (AP)—The four occupation powers ended all-Germany trade and transport talks today with no indication of an agreement.

Representatives immediately sent separate reports to the council of foreign ministers in Paris. There was every indication the Russians had refused to yield on several major points.

As a result, the question of reviving east-west trade in Germany and re-uniting the divided city of Berlin fell back into the laps of the Big Four at Paris.

There was hope that the 24-day old rail strike might come to an end soon, perhaps Wednesday, despite the fact that top German union leaders rebuffed an American appeal for an immediate end to the transport-jamming stoppage.

The issue will be put before the rank and file of the union in a referendum tomorrow. Seventy-five percent of the membership must vote to continue the walkout or it will be called off automatically.

The settlement terms were worked out by the United States, in consultation with Britain and France, and agreed to by Russia. The American commandant in Berlin, Brig. Gen. Frank L. Howley, asked the strikers to accept the offer and got a promise to do so from top union officials.

The terms, left to the membership for decision by the 600 lower-level leaders, called for payment of 75 percent of wages in west marks, worth four times as much as the east marks previously used to pay wages, and no reprisals by the Soviet-controlled railway management against the anti-Red union leaders.

The management would pay 60 percent of the wages in west marks and the west Berlin city government would exchange an additional 15 percent of the men's salaries into the more valuable western currency.

The strike, marked by violence which caused two deaths, has blocked rail delivery of supplies to Berlin and prevented an east-west accord on German trade.

Although union leaders are confident the men will vote to end the strike, a speaker who called for continuance of the walkout was widely applauded at yesterday's meeting.

# 'Mayor's Cousin' In Durance Vile

A bout with Bacchus left the "mayor's cousin" in the Salem city bastle Monday when he was unable to pay a \$20 fine on a charge of being drunk.

The cousin, who was finally identified in police reports as Peter A. Dahl, a transient, first drew the attention of police with his extravagant gesticulations and talk in the restaurant of the Greyhound bus depot.

He grabbed a patrolman by the hand and introduced himself as the "mayor's cousin." He went on to describe his ranch in Idaho as the world's largest, and said he owned some 32,000 to 35,000 head of cattle.

He explained his presence in Salem by saying that he had spent the day with his cousin, "Mayor Engstrom," and was en route to "Frisco" to pick up \$250,000 which he had due from cattle sales.

Dahl then introduced a 21-year-old Willamina youth to the police and told how he had hired him at \$400 a month plus board and room. He said his employe was an ex-serviceman.

By that time, Dahl switched personalities and introduced himself as "GI Engstrom."

Curious, police interrogated Dahl's companion, Ralph R. Komorous, and found he had been working for him for two days, but had seen no money.

Further questioning before the arrest became confused when Dahl kept removing his upper plate to exhibit a serial number which he claimed proved he had served in the marines.

WEATHER	
(Released by U. S. Weather Bureau)	
Forecast for Salem and Vicinity: Mostly clear tonight and Tuesday with little change in temperature. Lowest temperature expected tonight, 48 degrees; highest Tuesday, 55. Conditions will be favorable for all agricultural activities Tuesday. Maximum yesterday, 82. Minimum today 43. Mean temperature yesterday 53, which was 2 above normal. Total 24-hour precipitation to 11:30 a.m. today 0. Total precipitation for the month 13 of an inch, which is 38 of an inch below normal. Willamette river height at Salem Monday morning 1 of a foot.	