



Wed.—Paul Robeson, Jr., 21, son of the Negro baritone, and his white bride, Marilyn Greenberg, after their wedding ceremony in New York. The wedding took place amid an atmosphere of tension created by the elder Robeson's determined opposition to press coverage of the event. (Acme Telephoto.)

Bean Festival Wants Floats

Stayton—Local business people are being urged by the Sautiam Bean Festival association to prepare floats for the parade which will be held Saturday evening, July 30, terminating four days of Stayton's annual salute to the growing of snap beans in this locality.

Parades of the last two years have been large, with many interesting entries, and it is hoped that this year's parade will be even larger with many floats representing various businesses rather than trucks and implements.

The Browning Amusement company of Salem, which is celebrating its 40th year in the business, will set up here during the festival, as it has done for many years in the past.

Much interest is being displayed in the horse show which will be held on Saturday afternoon during the festival. Local horsemen are working on a program for a real show as well as a parade.

The festival will be featured over radio stations KEX, Portland, and KOCO and KSLM, Salem, at dates to be announced later. Gene Malecki of Salem, festival manager, states.

Riders of Silverton Take Part in Rodeo

Silverton—Members of the Silverton Saddle club of which Anton Sacher is president, were active guests at the rodeo in the two-day event at Lane Maple near Mill City, Saturday and Sunday.

Silverton members winning first award in the flag race

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Pension Plans Bring Protest

Lebanon—Three political parties sent representatives to the Lebanon city hall to protest the passing of the old-age pension bill by the last Oregon legislature. All speakers voiced objections to the so-called lien clause which would require all persons applying for old-age assistance to forfeit any property they own to the state, before receiving benefits.

Walter J. Pearson, state treasurer, spoke against the measure, as did Joe E. Dunne, Portland attorney; Roy Hewett, Salem; Monroe Sweetland, state democratic national committeeman of Newport, and several others.

Referendum petitions were circulated at the close of the meeting to meet the July 15 deadline on all referendum measures.

State Democratic National Committeeman Sweetland said, "Oregon republicans have given us an example of the cruelest hypocrisy in the history of Oregon politics."

State Treasurer Pearson emphasized that Oregon is the "most solvent and in as good financial condition as any state in the union."

Also speaking was Tom Moore, executive secretary of the progressive party in Oregon.

who pledged his party's support and explained what has already been done by the progressives to refer the law in question to the people.

Also speaking briefly was Warren Gill, Linn's representative to the legislature.

Acting as master of ceremonies was William Gould who conducted a question and answer period after the meeting.

Americans Drank Less Liquor in '48

Washington, June 21 (AP)—Americans apparently drank less intoxicating liquor last year. It's certain they spent less on their drinking.

This was reported yesterday by the commerce department, which said the total 1948 outlay for whiskey, beer and wine was an estimated \$8,000,000,000. The figure was 8.7 per cent below 1947, and marked the first time since 1938 that the nation's drinkers had spent less than they did the preceding year.

Deep Sea Divers Seek Sunken Gold

Point Pleasant, N. J., June 21 (AP)—Two young deep sea divers saw a 13-year dream of finding \$250,000 in sunken gold treasure coming true today.

Floyd Sharp, Jr., 31, and Wil-



Railroad Head—Walter S. Franklin, 65, six feet six, and 225 pounds, has been elected president of the Pennsylvania railroad, largest in America, with 135,000 employees.

Ham Conway, 25, reported they had found the 51-year-old wreck of the Liner S. S. Delaware, believed to have a quarter of a million dollars in gold aboard, and have begun exploring it.

"We've found some signs of the gold aboard," Conway said. "But we'll have more to say about that sometime next week." He refused to elaborate.

Open Trash Burner Causes Second Fire

Lebanon—For the second time within two weeks, fire broke out Sunday afternoon in brush near the Crowfoot lumber mill, with origin the same also — an open trash burner, according to Fire Chief Elmer Fitzgerald.

Two Lebanon fire trucks were employed to fight the stubborn blaze. It required more than two hours of effort and 3000 gallons of water to douse the fire, which was fanned by a strong wind.

Chief Fitzgerald said the state fire marshal's office had ordered the mill closed within a few days unless a burner was installed.

Firemen reported the sprin-

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