

WATER COMMISSION IS CHOSEN

COMMUNISTIC PROGRAM NOW UNDER PROBE

"War Against Humanity" Is Described by Walsh At Hearing

Conspiracy to Overthrow All Governments Is On Foot, Claim

WASHINGTON, June 9.—(AP)—The house investigating into communists' activities opened today with a resume of world communist activities by Rev. Fr. Edmund Walsh, Georgetown university, during which he charged the Soviet government had declared "war against all humanity" and planned to overthrow existing governmental systems.

Father Walsh was the first witness at a public hearing before the special house committee investigating communism. He is director of the foreign service school at Georgetown university and was a member of the Hoover famine relief mission in Russia in 1921.

The committee will hear Edgar Hoover, director of the investigating division of the justice department, tomorrow behind closed doors.

Father Walsh said the Soviet Russian government, the communist party and the third international were united in the effort to overthrow all other governments.

World Wide Fight Planned, Declared

He said they worked through propagandizing, teaching children in training camps in this country, doing business through the trading concerns, particularly Amtorg Trading Co., New York, as well as being active among the negroes in the southern states.

"I believe history will bear me out that within a few weeks after the Soviet government came into power in Russia in 1917," Father Walsh said, "a decree was issued declaring war against all humanity."

He said large sums were devoted to disseminating communistic propaganda in foreign countries and the representatives of the government were given instructions to teach the idea of revolt.

Soviet government diplomatic pouches, he continued, were used for spreading propaganda. The direct attacks of the communists against newspapers and the official organ of the communists in New York.

Father Walsh said the Soviets took groups of 20 to 30 members from the United States to Moscow to train them without expense. Other work in this country, he said, was to train American radicals to advocate reform, incite labor troubles, issue propaganda against national defense and organize camps for teaching communistic theories.

The educator said camps had been found in this country for boys and girls from between 13 and 16 years of age, where they were taught hatred of the government and disrespect for its principles.

Hundreds View Test of Sam Brown's Well



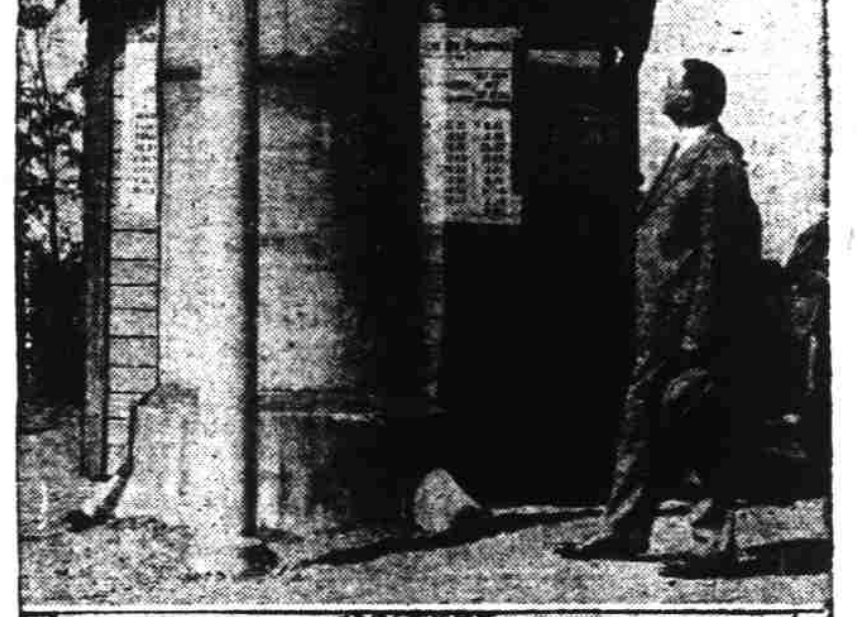
PRODUCERS WILL MEET REGULARLY

Milk Men Hear Talk on Cooperation by State Group Manager

"The farmer who does not cooperate with other farmers will go down in the tide of progress," said F. E. Jackson, organization manager of the Oregon Milk Producers' association, before a meeting of the Salem unit of the organization on Monday evening.

Mr. Jackson urged that farmers, merchants and bankers get together for a mutual understanding of their problems. He pointed out that when the farmer does not prosper the merchants and bankers of the nearby city also suffer and that it is only through working together for the common good that all may profit.

The milk producers' organization in the Salem district has made rapid progress during the past three months until at the present time a large proportion of the producers are in the organization. The state association is also gaining rapidly in favor among the farmers and it is now estimated that one half of the top-



Portion of the crowd watching water pour from a hydrant into Senator Sam Brown's blackberry patch at Gervais, in the official demonstration of the experimental well Sunday. Senator Brown (left) and J. T. Jardine, director of the O. S. C. experiment station, directly behind the hydrant. Below, John C. Ainsworth of Portland viewing the pumping station. (Cut Courtesy Oregonian)

Valley Irrigation Value To Be Shown

Lack of Complicated Equipment Is Noticeable Feature of Pumping System on Sam Brown Farm at Gervais

WOODBURN, June 9.—With cameras clicking and a large crowd of spectators on hand, the irrigation well of Sam Brown, Gervais farmer, was officially demonstrated Sunday. Men and women were present from Salem, Portland, Oregon State college and various farming communities throughout the Willamette valley. By actual count there were more than 100 automobiles on the farm and lined up along the highway in front of the Brown place.

There was plenty of water—nearly 1000 gallons per minute—but the pump house was a tiny affair with a small 20 horse power electric motor furnishing power for the pump itself.

Although the well is 155 feet deep, the water rises with artesian force to a point 15 feet below the ground. Even when the pump is going full tilt the water's surface is never more than 40 feet below the earth's surface. There are no irrigation ditches to convey the water to the point where it is used, the California system of underground mains being utilized exclusively. This makes the initial financial outlay greater, but it conserves the water.

Approximately \$6000 was spent on the project. Value of Irrigation To Be Demonstrated

The whole thing is in the nature of an experiment to demonstrate the value of irrigation in the Willamette valley, and it is predicted that after the results of this experiment become thoroughly known, farming methods in this section of the United States will be revolutionized and production greatly increased.

The initial movement to start the demonstration project started in Portland some time ago. After conferring with Oregon State college officials President Wilcox of the Portland chamber of commerce started a campaign to obtain \$10,000 for a revolving fund to put down wells for irrigation.

Miss Beatrice Walton, former secretary to the governor, will leave Thursday of this week for Oakland, Calif., where she will attend a reunion of her graduating class at Mills college. Miss Walton plans to spend several weeks in Oakland before returning to her home here.

Long Fight Faced, Warning

HOQUIAM CASE STORY TOLD BY LEGAL COUNSEL

Two Year Struggle and Expenditure of \$80,000 Cost of Victory

Water Company Put Many Obstacles in Way, Attorney Claims

In minute detail, W. H. Able, chief legal counsel for the city of Hoquiam in its condemnation suit against the Oregon-Washington Water company, told the story of that city's acquisition of the water system there before an informal and adjourned meeting of the city council Monday night.

Able, appearing before the councilmen upon introduction of Alderman W. H. Dancy, declared Salem was in for a long fight in its attempted purchase if it made any effort to secure a lower valuation than that placed by the water company.

"Let me tell you gentlemen that you'll need every bit of cooperation possible in presenting a united front against the utility," Able said, and he urged the council not to proceed if there was internal dissent regarding the purchase.

"If your public service commission is not for you, God help you," Able stated as he proceeded to tell the help afforded by the Washington public works commission in combating the experts of the utilities company.

Help of Commission Doubtful, One Alderman Vandevort, jumping to his feet, declared "We'd better start praying now if we have to depend on the public service commission; they're as useless as the fifth wheel on a wagon."

Pressed by Alderman Patton who wanted to know how many engineers the city needed to employ, Able declared Hoquiam employed six firms of engineers before the fight was over.

"Of course we made some mistakes," he said. "One fee we paid was \$12,000 and we didn't get more than \$3,000. Be sure when you hire engineers to get men who have had actual construction experience and men who have definite training in accounting theory. I wouldn't pay ten cents for an engineer who has not been in the service of engineers who haven't had experience in actually building systems."

"Put your engineers on a per diem basis and do not contract for a flat amount," added Able, advising the council to have an ample amount of witnesses because "whether you know it or not you are in for a fight when you start this case and you must be fully prepared. The water company will be equipped with the best technical men in the country," said Able.

Hoquiam Experience Told in Detail

Able, in narrative style, recited the process of the Hoquiam condemnation proceedings.

He said the Washington city (Turn to page 2, col. 6)

Flood Light Plan For Airport Here Is Given Approval

Agreement With Department of Commerce Will Be Entered Into by City Council; Patton Leads Unsuccessful Opposition

In the face of opposition headed by Alderman Hal Patton, the city council by a vote of 11 to 3, declared itself Monday night in favor of flood lights to be used at night at the airport and authorized on agreement with the department of commerce for the providing of the lights and their maintenance at a nominal cost by the city.

With Watson Townsend as a sponsor of the resolution declaring this action be taken, a spirited but short debate over the matter preceeded the water commission election at the session.

Townsend pointed out to the aldermen that an air mail route through Salem is being pioneered as well as a passenger and mail service. He said the installation of the lights was necessary to expedite the development of this service. "We may lose our chance if we don't look out," declared Townsend.

"We've only received one dollar as rental for the use of the field for airplanes since January 1," Alderman Patton retorted. "I'm opposed to the government's requests until we know what we are going to get," he continued. Patton said he would be willing to cooperate on a 50-50 basis with some firms but he declared himself opposed to additional investment by the city council in the airport.

Alderman Vandevort countered Patton's argument with the suggestion that "we have spent \$50,000 to \$75,000 thus far and I don't think it's any time now to practice cheap economy on the airport."

The motion to postpone Townsend's resolution indefinitely lost 11 to 3 and the motion to adopt carried by the same count.

City to Pay Only Maintenance Now

Under the department of commerce proposal the lights are installed by that body and the maintenance charge, estimated at \$30 a month, is paid by the city.

Apparently little perturbed by the important business of selecting a water commission, the city council Monday night ground out considerable routine business as a preliminary to the main agenda of the evening.

The motion of Alderman Purvine, the city treasurer, was instructed to invest \$10,000 of the fire fund reserve in City of Salem bonds purchased from the state treasurer.

Frank R. Kellogg's bid to audit the books of the city for the year 1929 was accepted at \$350.

Committee Places To Be Filled Soon

Alderman Vandevort told the council that his committee on (Turn to page 2, col. 1)

FIVE SELECTED TO SUPERVISE CITY'S UTILITY

Paulus, Smith, Galbraith, Derby and Gahlsdorf Council's Choice

Only Two Ballots Needed To Name Representative Group

The city council of Salem, following rapidly and smoothly, chose the first public utility commission in Salem's history Monday night.

Only two ballots were required to give a majority to five men from 15 leaders, proposed and the 11 who received votes.

Elected to the commission which is to serve until its successors are elected and qualified by Salem voters at the next regular election are:

Fred H. Paulus, assistant state treasurer.

Ray L. Smith, attorney specializing in municipal law.

Fred J. Galbraith, manager of the Miles Lumber mill.

William Gahlsdorf, member of the F. N. Darby, insurance representative.

Acting upon the recommendations of the public utilities committee, the council got down to the business of voting shortly after the session opened.

Two Ballots Taken

To select a group of five men were proposed by the committee as men who had been interviewed and who had agreed to serve if elected.

The utilities committee declared in its report which was adopted and placed on the list if it did not wish to dictate the personnel of the commission and suggested that nominations by other councilmen were in order.

Men proposed by the commission included William Gahlsdorf, F. N. Darby, Ray L. Smith, Fred H. Paulus, F. J. Galbraith, Leo N. Childs, E. J. Grabenhorst, Joseph Baumgartner, A. Huckerstein, Dan J. Fry, Sr.

Three Are Chosen On Initial Vote

Voting under council rules which require a majority to elect, eight ballots from the 14 great were necessary for selection of the commission. On the first ballot the count stood: Paulus 13; Smith 9; Galbraith 8; Gahlsdorf 7; Derby 7; E. T. Barnes 6; Doelke 6; McKay 5; Ed Rostein 4; J. L. Busick 4; F. L. Uter 1; Joseph Baumgartner 1.

Paulus, Smith and Galbraith were declared elected.

Alderman Purvine suggested that on the second ballot "the slate" of five men to be elected, the remaining two nearest receiving a majority being designated as the remaining members. Alderman Purvine on the personnel of "the slate" and asked for another ballot.

On the second vote the ballots stood: Derby 10; Gahlsdorf 9; McKay 6; Barnes 2; Rostein 2; Derby and Gahlsdorf were declared elected.

Meeting Is Called For Thursday

O. A. Olson, speaking for the public utilities committee, immediately called a meeting of that group together with the newly elected water commission, to meet at the city hall Thursday, June 12.

Under the provisions of the ordinance adopted by the voters May 16 the commission elected Monday night serves without pay. It holds office until at the regular city election men have been (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

Oregon Briefs

Banking Laws Praised
Road Plan Extensive
4-H School Is Opened
Many Dimes Are Taken

AVOID CHAIN TOPIC
MEDFORD, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—L. E. Barnum, the Dalles, president of the Oregon Bankers' association, which opened its 25th annual convention here today, paid high tribute to state and federal regulation of banks in an address here today. He also commended the work of the federal farm board but said he believed it would be unable to regulate prices of agricultural commodities because they are controlled by supply and demand.

PROGRAM LAUNCHED
MARSHFIELD, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—Coox county this week will launch one of the most extensive road, bridge and ferry construction programs in the state. The program has been undertaken by the county in recent years.

The first undertaking will be that of the Daniel Creek ferry slips permitting the operation of a ferry there and connecting that section with the \$27,000 grading contract recently let for the five miles along Coox river.

The largest project proposed is a \$300,000 bascule type bridge over Coox bay to replace the Eastside ferry. In addition to connecting the state highway department is constructing new slips for the Roosevelt ferry which crosses the bay at North Bend.

The road program will open the Coox river district, rich in dairying, to automobile traffic. The district is served only by boats now.

600 ARE ENROLLED
CORVALLIS, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—Six hundred boys and girls and fifty club leaders were enrolled when registration closed here today for the 4-H club short course which begins tomorrow and continues through June 21. School officials estimate that 75 club members and several more leaders will arrive soon.

President W. J. Kerr and C. L. Starr, Portland, president of the state board of higher education, will address the group at general assembly tomorrow.

SAFE CARRIED AWAY
EUGENE, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—The safe in the Eugene Woolworth store was carried off by robbers sometime last night. The robbers gained entrance to the building by jimmying open a rear window and had used the store scales to convey the safe to a waiting truck in the alley.

The amount of money in the safe was not announced by store officials.

POPULATION LISTED
EUGENE, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—Jackson county, the last in the southwestern Oregon district, to report on the total census, has a population of 32,995, compared with 20,405 in 1920. The figures were released by the census office here today.

OFFICER SUSPENDED
PORTLAND, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—Chief of Police Jenkins today ordered the suspension for one month of Hubert Ragan, traffic patrolman, after a hearing on charges that Ragan had accepted \$20 from Edward Poll, 18, to "square an arrest."

TWO AUTO CRASHES RESULT SERIOUSLY

Walter Mason of Mill City Killed and Japanese Critically Hurt

MILL CITY, June 9.—Walter Mason, of Mill City, was killed on the eve of his twenty-seventh birthday, and a Japanese employed by the Hammond lumber company was seriously injured, in automobile accidents on the Mill City-Detroit highway Sunday afternoon.

Mason was killed almost instantly when his throat was cut by a splinter of glass as he was thrown through the windshield of the car in which he was riding toward Breitenbush springs. The car, driven by Lewis Ellsworth, had turned out to allow another to pass, and struck the end of a narrow bridge with such force that Mason was thrown through the windshield. Loose gravel was blamed for the crash.

William Harlan, driver of the west bound car, took him to Mill City immediately, but he died within two or three minutes it is said.

The accident occurred about 10 miles east of here. Neither Ellsworth nor two girls in the car were injured.

Failure to make a turn on a double curve six miles east of here on the Mill City-Detroit highway caused the serious injury of a Japanese whose name was not reported. He and another companion, both employees of the Hammond Lumber company, were said to have been speeding east (Turn to page 2, col. 4)

OLD FRIENDS MEET TO HONOR HOOVER

NEWBERG, Ore., June 9.—(AP)—From far beyond the Green Hills of Chehalis valley today came many gray-haired men and women to the little white school where many years ago they had played with a quiet little lad who made no stir, who was not distinguished in any way while here. And they came to honor that lad—"Bertie" Hoover.

The little white school was Pacific academy in 1885 when Herbert Hoover, enrolled as a student. Now it has grown into Pacific college.

In the main building of the college today was unveiled a bronze tablet telling of Hoover's student days. The tablet, whose inscription was written by Dr. Levi T. Pennington, college president, is "a tribute of love and esteem" to Hoover from his boyhood school.

First Concert Soon, Although Date Uncertain

If weather conditions of the past day or two hold, Salem people will be privileged within a comparatively short time to hear the first band concert of the year. The municipal band members have already held three or four rehearsals, and will be ready to make their first appearance as soon as they are quite sure that they will not be rained out, says John Graber, manager of the group.

Miss Walton to Attend Reunion

Miss Beatrice Walton, former secretary to the governor, will leave Thursday of this week for Oakland, Calif., where she will attend a reunion of her graduating class at Mills college. Miss Walton plans to spend several weeks in Oakland before returning to her home here.