

CIVIL SERVICE CHANGE TOPIC, HUSH MEETING

Council Committees, Board Violate Charter by Barring Public

Amendment of Even Repeal of Police and Fire System Talked

Enveloping themselves in the secrecy of an "executive session," Salem's city civil service commissioners, council police and fire department committees and Mayor V. E. Kuhn last night met in the city recorder's office to discuss changes which may be proposed to the present charter civil service provisions.

The only statement made at the close of the meeting was that the commission and committees would meet again next Wednesday night, possibly to reach a decision on action to be recommended.

Although the city charter states in regard to the city council that "its deliberations and proceedings, and also of any committee appointed by the mayor or council, shall be public," the group refused to allow a press representative to attend the meeting, City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz suggested it could go into executive session to avoid the public meeting rule.

Changes or Repeal Frequently Raved
Ever since the summer of 1932, following voting of the civil service act by the people in May of that year, sentiment has been expressed by one councilman or another and occasionally by the civil service commissioners, that the act should be amended, if not repealed.

The recent case of W. D. Edwards, fireman, whom the commission sought unsuccessfully to suspend for four months over the order of Fire Chief Hutton suspending him for only 30 days, brought the amendment talk again to the surface. Several officials were understood to feel the civil service amendment should be changed to give the commission greater power over city civil service employees, including the fire and police chiefs.

Suggestions also have been heard that the act be removed from civil service standing. As the charter amendment now stands neither the fire or police department heads nor their subordinates may be removed except for cause, such as inefficiency, dishonesty, moral or physical unfitness, disgraceful conduct, habitual drunkenness, or conviction of a felony.

TWO MEET DEATH IN EVICTION RIOT

GALLUP, N. M., April 4.—(AP)—The slaying of a sheriff and a miner in furious rioting by more than 300 unemployed bent on liberating a woman and two jobless men under arrest brought sweeping police measures in this coal center tonight with the seizure of 30 suspects and the mobilizing of 125 armed deputies.

In hospitals were seven wounded, one of these also a woman, and among the suspects were 10 women.

The bloody clash during the morning came suddenly after a court hearing for the trio of unemployed under arrest, who were accused of forcibly occupying a dwelling from which one of their number had been evicted.

The city was outwardly quiet as darkness fell and the community authorities reinforced by the state attorney-general, Frank Patton, in personal questioning of the suspects appeared to have the situation in hand.

The dead: Sheriff M. R. Carmichael, 37, Ignacio, Sena, Velarde, 37, jobless and a world war veteran.

GAS THIEF CAUGHT, BUT SPRINTS AWAY

Nimble legs saved a young gasoline thief from an interview with police at headquarters last night. And the long vigilance of Arthur J. Flint, 1095 North Church street, for the persons who had been draining the fuel tank on his automobile went for naught.

Flint and a friend caught one of two youths in the act of stealing the gasoline. Flint told police, and drove toward headquarters with him. Just as they were about to park in front of the city hall, their prisoner leaped free of the car and fled faster than Flint could run.

"Police hearing Flint's cries of 'stop them!'" took up the chase, but the youth evaded them.

Flint said he had long been trying to catch the persons who had been stealing his gasoline.

Oil Hopes are Bright In Jefferson Region; 'Dome' Drilling is on

K. D. Rodebaugh Takes Over Operations, Gets Leases on All Available Land; Tie-up With Major Company Hinted

RUMORED change in ownership of the Steiwer dome oil drilling operations about 11 miles south of Salem was confirmed yesterday when K. D. Rodebaugh, who has been here for several months, told The Statesman he has taken over interests of E. S. Collins and P. J. Brix, both of Portland, in development of the well.

World News at a Glance

(By the Associated Press)
Domestic: WASHINGTON—House approaches vote on anti-war profit bill in face of drive to eliminate labor conscription.

WASHINGTON—Congress conferees compromise direct labor provision, reach final agreement on \$4,850,000,000 relief bill.

LOS ANGELES—Upton Sinclair, successful in municipal end poverty election, plans national movement; silent on presidential hopes.

WASHINGTON—Administration picks poultry case for new NRA control test.

GALLUP, N. M.—Sheriff, jobless miner shot to death, seven wounded in eviction riot.

WASHINGTON—Both English, United States defense budgets near peace time records.

KANSAS CITY—Farmers object to paper clauses in federal anti-dust program.

WASHINGTON—Congressional leaders express belief passage of social security bill will halt attempts to obtain federal sales tax.

Foreign: LONDON—British cabinet awaits return of Capt. Eden with reports.

Berne—France and Switzerland join forces to investigate Nazi activities.

PARIS—French officials indicate agreement at Stresa will be "frightened" Germany with united front.

PARIS—Seven plans bring six tons of gold from Netherlands.

LEARN DILLINGER HAD REAL PISTOL

FORT WAYNE, Ind., April 4.—(AP)—Department of justice operatives tonight reported their investigation showed the late John Dillinger shot a blue steel automatic pistol—not a "wooden gun"—when he escaped from the Crown Point, Ind., jail on March 3, 1934, and that he was given assistance from outside.

The federal agents reported verbally tonight to United States Attorney James R. Fleming of the northern Indiana district on their long investigation into the sensational break of the desperado who became the nation's number one public enemy before he was shot down on Chicago street by officers July 22, 1934.

Fleming announced the agents reported no facts upon which criminal charges could be based. Lake county officials were criticized in many quarters after Dillinger and Herbert Youngblood, negro prisoner, fled their "escape-proof" jail.

City's Receipts Cut; No Beer Tax

Abandonment of Salem's beer tax occasioned by a change in state liquor regulations last month caused a drop in receipts of City Recorder A. Warren Jones. Total receipts amounted of \$798.06. Of this sum \$393 came from fines and forfeitures, \$395.06 from beer tax stamp sales and \$10 from zoning change fees.

Eight Institution Heads Still Uncertain of Jobs

Heads of eight state institutions were in continued uncertainty about their jobs yesterday although two members of the state board of control gave assurances, out of meeting, that no changes in the superintendencies of the state plants was contemplated.

The state board of control this week ducked the matter of reappointing or replacing institution heads.

"Every head of a state institution has his job for life as long as he runs the plant efficiently," Rufus C. Holman, state treasurer, said yesterday. "I do not consider these men are serving on any stated term; they are appointed to hold office at the pleasure of the board and the board's feeling in the matter is determined by the way the institution is run."

Secretary of State Snell is known to favor the reappointment of most if not all of the eight

CABELL CHOSEN CHAIRMAN FOR HIGHWAY BOARD

Convenience, Not Dictation by Governor, Reason for Decision, Reported

Washburne to Remain Short Time Following Request; Statement Issued

Henry Falling Cabell of Portland was named chairman of the state highway commission at a meeting of the body held late yesterday in Portland. He succeeds Leslie M. Scott to whose place on the commission he was named last Saturday by Governor Charles H. Martin.

The selection of Cabell was not dictated by the governor, it was understood. His residence in Portland was held to make it more practical that he serve as chairman than either of the other members of the commission. Carl Washburne of Eugene and Eldridge Aldrich of Pendleton, other commissioners, who were at the meeting.

Drilling operations at the Steiwer dome, where a derrick has stood for more than two years, shut down in February and resumed this month. Rodebaugh said he expects to have six or eight men working continuously at the well within a short time, or as soon as necessary repairs are completed.

He would make no statement of depth to which he expected the drill would have to go. Presumably a depth of between 1100 and (Turn to page 10, col. 1)

'WILD WEST' TRAIN HOLDUP IS STAGED

Four Men Rob Passengers; One Offers Resistance and is Wounded

KANKAKEE, Ill., April 4.—(AP)—Operating in wild western fashion, four men, three masked, tonight systematically robbed two score passengers on an Illinois fast mail and passenger train, shot and wounded one man, and escaped with an undetermined amount of cash and jewelry.

The robbers apparently boarded the train, the "Louisiana," southbound for Louisiana resort points, as it stopped either at 53rd street in Chicago or in suburban Kankakee.

They posed as passengers until the train was well under way and then, donning masks and cowering the train crew, went through four coaches, taking valuables. They made no attempt to enter the mail cars, first reported by Chicago police.

George Kerr, Chicago salesman, was shot in the hip by the sole unmasked robber, when he offered resistance, grappling for the desperado's weapon.

He was removed to St. Mary's hospital here for treatment after the train halted to report the holdup.

The men escaped as the train slowed to a stop. Sheriff John Stack said apparently confederates awaited the bandit quartet near a farm in the countryside. He organized posse immediately to scour the countryside.

Mayor V. E. Kuhn last night said it was unlikely any special election ordinances would be introduced tonight. The council Monday called off an election it had set for April 12 to vote \$22,000 worth of bonds to raise the city's share of the proposed \$100,000 B and D streets storm sewer project. Another special election proposal pending in one by Alderman VanPatten to submit again to voters a bond issue to finance construction of a sewage disposal plant. The bonds originally authorized for this purpose were not acceptable to the public works administration and could not be sold to raise the money needed.

The city recorder's force was working hard yesterday in effort to have copies of Van Patten's 53-page traffic code printed in time to place them in the councilman's hands tonight. The measure was introduced Monday.

Badge on His Cap Saves Policeman; Assailant Flees

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—(AP)—The last words Policeman Ralph McKenna heard as he looked into the muzzle of a gun held by a man he sought to arrest were: "I'm going to bump you off."

McKenna was informed at the emergency hospital where he recovered consciousness sometime later here today that the badge on his cap had deflected the bullet and saved his life. He identified the man he had sought to take in custody as an ex-convict. The man escaped.

HITLER MAY OFFER TO KEEP BOUNDARY

BERLIN, April 4.—(AP)—Official sources said tonight Adolf Hitler would startle the three-power conference at Stresa next week with an offer to accept Germany's present boundaries for at least 10 years.

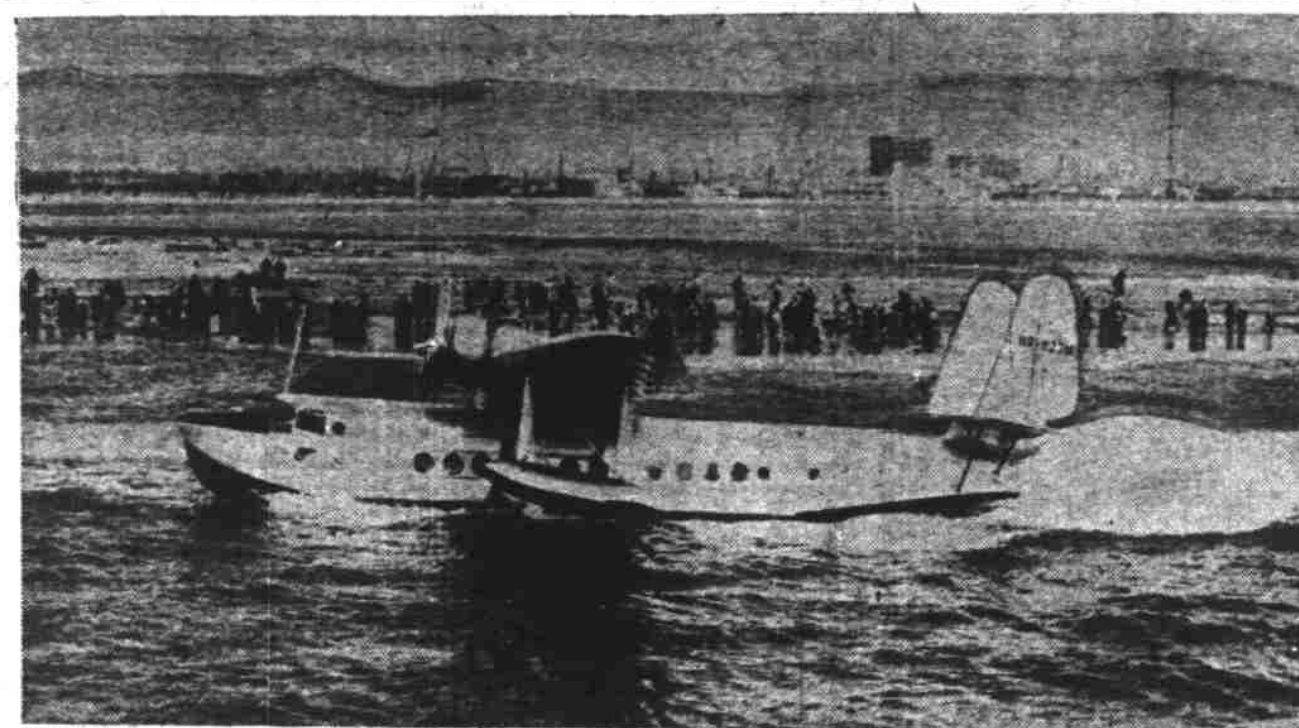
The offer, which has been kept secret, will be made through Sir John Simon, British foreign secretary, who already has der Fuchrer's proposal in black and white. A typewritten memorandum was given Simon when he was here 10 days ago.

A Nazi pledge not to go to war, it was said officially, will be in the form of public-works agreements which Hitler offered as a substitute for the proposed eastern Locarno pact.

The offer Hitler made Simon contained four things: 1. Non-aggression. 2. Non-interference with internal affairs. 3. Non-assistance of any aggressor. 4. Consultation among the powers in case any trouble should arise.

The pact would be signed between individual countries but later could be assimilated into a general scheme.

GIANT CLIPPER PLANE READY FOR OCEAN HOP



Here she is—the Pan-American Clipper—queen of America's commercial aircraft—taxiing to the Pan-American Airways base at Alameda airport, on San Francisco bay. Five thousand persons greeted the 19-ton ship when it arrived from Miami, Fla. Plans went ahead immediately to send the four-motored monster on its first Pacific test flight. The huge craft is in command of Captain Edward G. Musick. All controls in the plane are duplicated, while the engines are controlled from a compartment in the rear, where the navigator also functions. The American Clipper has a wing spread of 114 feet, wider than the front of four average city homes. It has a cruising speed of 192 miles an hour. The plane carries a radio-compass steering rig. Watertight doorways mark off each compartment.—International Illustrated News Photo.

PRESBYTERY OPENS TWO-DAY MEETING

Rev. J. A. Smith of Cottage Grove is Moderator; Burns Preaches

Delegates of Willamette Presbytery, opening a two-day session at the First Presbyterian church here yesterday afternoon, elected Rev. J. A. Smith, Cottage Grove, moderator and continued Elder F. C. Graham, Cove Orchard, as temporary clerk. Rev. Grover C. Birchett is host pastor.

Rev. John S. Burns, retiring moderator, preached the presbytery sermon last night, expanding his subject, "Get One Hundred Times as Much and More from the disciple's question, 'Now what are we to get?' Rev. Burns pointed to the deep tangible values of religion, and stressed three things derived from the church:

1. Unequaled fellowship of the folks who are to know and to do the will of God; 2. Chance of sacrificial service; 3. Horizon for living life at its best or for seeing life in the light of eternity.

And without these, he urged, life is a sordid emptiness.

Detailed explanation of the resolution of the extension division at the state college, Corvallis, was given by Miss Gertrude Skow, in charge of the project and home demonstration agent at large. A forum hour on church relationships conducted by Rev. E. W. Warrington followed.

The presbytery received Rev. J. W. Hood from northern Oregon presbytery. He takes the Geravalis charge. Dismissals were voted for three retired pastors: Rev. F. B. Carey, Lebanon, discharged; Rev. E. B. Blair, Albany; and Rev. W. J. Large, Eugene.

The following standing committees were named, the first two names being ministers and the third an elder: Judicial—H. G. Hanson, Independence; John S. Burns and C. H. Sedgwick, Creswell.

Bills and overtures—H. L. Griffith, Newport; H. G. Kenney, McMinnville, and J. B. Bates, Salem.

Finance—James O'Hara, Lebanon; C. L. Atwood, Mill City; and L. M. Palmer, Albany.

Session records—James McAuley, Mill City; G. R. Cromley, Woodburn; S. M. Day, Eugene. Necrology—Dr. Grover C. Birchett, Salem, and Elder T. H. Halleck, Newport.

Resolutions—M. S. Weber, (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

Late Sports

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4.—(AP)—Portland grapplers won six of the weight championships tonight in the Pacific northwest. A. U. wrestling tournament while Tacoma gained two and Salem one.

The Multnomah Amateur Athletic club, tournament host, gained five championships while the other champions all went to Y. M. C. A. grapplers of the three winning towns. Washington State college was the only other group placing a man in the finals.

Final results: 112 pounds: Sam Shiohshi of the Portland Y. beat Chicalo Shiohshi of Portland Y.

118 pounds: Lee Knowles of Salem Y. beat Darrell Peterson of the Portland Y.

126 pounds: Jim Boardwell of Multnomah club beat Al Gibson of Portland Y.

135 pounds: Herb Hutton of Multnomah club beat Stewart Brokenshire of Multnomah club.

145 pounds: Walter Noack of Multnomah club beat Tom Abraham of Portland Y.

155 pounds: Chet Newton of Multnomah club beat Norman Burke of Tacoma Y.

Huge Bridge Is Replaced In Jig Time

BONNEVILLE, Ore., April 4.—(AP)—Matching wits against nature, and racing against time, workmen today moved a 150-foot, 200-ton steel railroad bridge 30 feet to a new location during a lull in train schedules.

Any hitch in the ticklish operation would have held up train traffic, possibly for hours. But so well laid were the plans that the temporary bridge was torn out and the new one rolled into place and anchored in six short hours.

The task was one of the many difficult engineering operations required in construction of the federal Bonneville power and navigation dam across the Columbia river here.

The bridge moving operation was the most difficult, yet most interesting of the contract for relocation of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway to a higher level above the anticipated back-water level from Bonneville dam.

The tracks were still vibrating from the 10 a. m. train which rumbled over the temporary structure when workmen tackled it and soon hoisted it piece by piece into the gully at the side.

Then the permanent bridge, over which trains had sped many times at the old location, was skidded slowly but steadily forward on greased rails until it had (Turn to page 2, col. 2)

DISPUTED PAYMENT TO CLARK IS MADE

Payment of \$9700 to Colonel A. E. Clark as legal fees for work done for Charles M. Thomas, former utilities commissioner, has been made through the secretary of state's office, it was learned yesterday.

Clark's bill was incurred in connection with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company case which is still pending in circuit court in Multnomah county.

When it was presented early this year, the secretary of state's office asked for an opinion on the legality of the charge. Attorney-General VanWinkle ruled that the utilities commissioner was authorized to retain counsel and that the fee paid was discretionary with him. Since the voucher calling for Clark's payment had been duly signed by Thomas, the attorney-general held the secretary of state must honor the charge and draw the warrant.

Criticism of the fee persisted in the legislature and the warrant was held up.

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In addition to the state hospital addition here, a \$56,000 expenditure at the tuberculosis hospital has been authorized and 50,000 has been appropriated for a dormitory for the state school for the blind.

Funds are still on hand for the construction of a \$25,000 fireproof vault at the statehouse. Governor Meier, because of a temporary difficulty with the late Secretary of State Hoss, blocked erection of this vault although it was greatly needed.

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PORTLAND'S STRIKE FRONT IS PEACEFUL

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4.—(AP)—Portland's maritime strike front was as peaceful today as though the two arriving tankers were pouring oil on troubled waters instead of depositing a week's supply of fuel oil into storage tanks.

Back of the peaceful scene was hope on the one hand that conference in San Francisco would lead to settlement of the strike, of international seamen's union members for union recognition by major oil companies, and on the other hand the grim reality of the labor struggle which pitted large police forces opposite pickets.

Police lined the Willamette river banks and others stood on the decks of a harbor patrol boat this morning as the Standard Oil tanker Lubrico and the Union Oil tanker La Placencia warped into dock to discharge 3,000,000-gallon cargoes.

Pickets showed more interest in their waterfront bonfire than in the arriving vessels, especially since police stood between.

CUT WARRANT RATE

PORTLAND, Ore., April 4.—(AP)—Interest rates on Multnomah county warrants were reduced from five to three per cent today at a conference between county officials and the Portland clearing house association.

WHITMAN WINS OPENER

WALLA WALLA, Wash., April 4.—(AP)—Six errors and failure of the Idaho Vandals to bunch their hits enabled the Whitman Missionaries to open their baseball season with a 4 to 1 victory.

GERDA HUNT TO WED

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., April 4.—(AP)—Notice of intention to wed was filed here today by Erich A. Funke, 35, New York City, and Gerda Hunt, Salem, Ore.

RELIEF'S PASSAGE ASSURED

Sudden Compromise Breaks Long Deadlock; Bourbon Leaders Win Most Points House Leaders Say

By CECIL B. DICKSON
WASHINGTON, April 4.—(AP)—Early final enactment of the long delayed \$4,850,000,000 relief work bill was assured tonight after the Roosevelt administration late today won what house leaders called the big end of a compromise on the Thornby labor cost amendment.

The break in the week's deadlock came at a suddenly called meeting of congressional conferees that lasted only a few minutes.

An agreement was reached on the much modified provision providing that 25 per cent of the cost of each PWA state project go for labor. The president, however, was authorized to determine just how much was spent for labor, direct or indirect.

Immediately after the conference, Speaker Byrns made plans to bring the conference report up in the house for action "the first thing tomorrow" with the view to sending it to the senate for adoption before the weekend. He said there was little doubt that the house would accept the compromise.

Special Passage: Funds Rivaly Needed
Pressure is to be put on both branches to speed final passage in order to make much needed funds available for relief in April and to carry on the civilian conservation corps which legally expired March 31.

Democratic leaders—who now have wrestled with the bill for 74 days—hope to send the measure by airplane to President Roosevelt for his signature. He is fishing off the Florida coast.

Harry L. Hopkins, relief administrator, said today, however that his agency had enough money for the remainder of the week and possibly the first half of next week.

The row centered on the proposal favoring Senator Glass (D-Va.), head of the senate group, would provide that 33 1-3 per cent of the \$900,000,000 tentatively set aside for loans and grants to states must be spent for "direct" labor.

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