

MEDFORD, RAINIER TOP TOURNEY OPENERS

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Strague

Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter in submitting his request for retirement to the state board of higher education discussed the problem of educational leadership for the system of higher education. It was an argument, and a very effective one, for lodging the central administrative authority in an educational leader (chancellor) and not to permit it to be absorbed in a business office. He explains his delay in retiring from his office as due to his desire to have the board accept this principle of administration. Being assured in a conference following the board meeting of Feb. 19th that the board would retain the office of chancellor, Dr. Hunter agrees to retire as of July 15th next.

Informed persons will see in the chancellor's statement a rebuke to the ambitions of or in behalf of Dr. Byrne, secretary to the board, whose resignation as assistant to the chancellor and director of information in February climaxed the personal clash between himself and the chancellor. Besides protesting the lodging of permanent authority in the business office (Byrne), Dr. Hunter drove a further nail in the Byrne "coffin" by recommending that interim authority, in case the selection of a chancellor be delayed, be conferred in toto on a small executive committee of the institution presidents until such time as the new chancellor can take office.

This puts up to the board the task of selecting a new chancellor, also the disposal of able though reputedly ambitious Charley Byrne. The line of authority should be very clearly defined, with the chancellor the (Continued on Editorial Page)

Vinson Vies With Delegates At Money Meet

By John F. Chester
SAVANNAH, Ga., March 12.—(AP)—A conflict of opinion between Chairman Fred M. Vinson of the powerful United States delegation and spokesmen for some other nations flared up today over the newly created executive committee of the governors of the world bank and fund.

Pierre Mendes-France, chief delegate of France, brought the clash into the open by telling reporters the 12-nation executive committee would live only during the two-week international monetary conference here.

Vinson, who proposed the body as a sort of steering committee and became its chairman yesterday, stated it would go on indefinitely.

Some other delegations were understood to support Mendes-France's view.

A recommendation that only six months' time be granted in which Russia and 10 other signers of the Bretton Woods agreements may enter the bank and fund under the original terms and a tentative decision on the terms by which Denmark may come in occupied meeting time today.

Bad Weather May Delay UNO Council Meeting

NEW YORK, March 12.—(AP)—The United Nations organization, meeting of the security council of originally scheduled to open here March 21, probably will not begin until March 25, Benjamin Cohen of Chile, assistant secretary general in charge of UNO's department of public information, said tonight.

He said bad weather conditions over Europe had disrupted flying scheduled and made necessary the four-day postponement.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Tomahito!" "Tomayto!" "Tomahito!" "Tomayto!"

Scene of Tuesday Suicide



Hurling from a southwest corner window (indicated above by line) on the tenth floor of the First National Bank building, Mrs. Lucy B. Miller from Chicago ended her life early Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Miller had reportedly been in poor health for some time. (Statesman Photo)

Woman Commits Suicide In Jump From Building

Mrs. Lucy B. Miller, about 55, Chicago woman whose mother and sister live in Salem, plunged to death from the 10th floor of the First National Bank building Tuesday noon.

Her death was reported officially as suicide by city police and by County Coroner Leon E. Barrick, who said "it couldn't have been an accident" after investigating. The coroner said there would be no inquest.

Identity of the woman was confirmed by her sister, Mrs. J. W. Greene, 2860 Brooks st., after police learned the victim's name and relationship to Mrs. Greene from a note pinned to the dead woman's hat in the room from which she jumped. Mother of the victim is Mrs. Ella Thomas of Salem, Mrs. Greene said.

From 10th Floor
The woman apparently leaped from a 10th floor window on the south side of the building at the corner of State and Liberty streets, W. J. Kloft of Mt. Angel, from the law office of L. H. McMahon in the Guardian building across Liberty street, saw the body plummet to the roof of the two-story building adjacent to the bank on Liberty.

There was no movement after the body landed with a resounding crash of the metal roofing, Kloft said. The woman was dead when first aid crewmen recovered the body a few minutes later.

Noise of the body landing on the roof and quickly spreading news of the sensational death drew a large crowd of curious onlookers as the men worked to reach the body.

After investigating, Salem police reconstructed the following account of the late Mrs. Miller's apparent movements immediately preceding her death:

She left Chicago March 10 by train, arriving here Tuesday morning without having informed local relatives. Carrying her handbag, she entered the bank building elevator and told its operator, Mabel Egelhoff, she wanted to meet a friend on the 11th floor in the clinic or, if not there, she would walk down to the 10th floor.

Left Outer Clothing
She was last seen by two nurses, Mrs. G. W. Ross and Anna Peters, at the stairway going down from the 11th floor. On the 10th floor, unnoticed by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Swafford, only persons on duty in the clinic there at nighttime, she entered the southwest corner room, opened a window and leaped out after leaving her hat, coat, jacket, scarf and suitcase in the room.

Her luggage contained a letter from Mrs. Greene in which the sister told police, she wrote that she was contemplating suicide. Mrs. Greene added that Mrs. Miller had been in poor health for some time.

Weather
Salem Max. 48 Min. 45 Rain 1.46
Eugene Max. 48 Min. 45 1.72
Portland Max. 48 Min. 45 1.72
San Francisco Max. 65 Min. 47 Trace
Seattle Max. 55 Min. 44 0.00
Willamette river 4.5 ft.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Occasional rain showers today, light to moderate winds. Highest temperature today 51 degrees.

Balance 1st Round Set Today

Tornadoes Top Teddies, Rainier Beats Bend

The 27th annual Oregon high schools class "A" basketball tournament got off to a flying start at Willamette university last night as Medford high's district four champions and the unheralded Rainier Columbians of district 14 turned in victories over Roosevelt of Portland and Bend, respectively. Medford broke loose with a fourth-quarter spurge to submerge the highly-rated Roosevelt, 48-34, and Rainier fought off a corking Bend rally to outlast the Lava Bears, 47-42.

Both Al Simpson's Southerners and Harry Johnson's Columbians tangle in a 3:15 p.m. game Thursday. Last night's losers open consolation play with an 8:45 a.m. game Thursday, the loser of which is eliminated from the five-day classic.

Balance of First Round
Today's slate calls for the balance of the first round of play, six games starting at 1 p.m. The Eugene Axemen and the Hillsboro Spartans play the day's opener, after which Salem high's Vikings and the Marshfield Pirates square off at 2:15. At 3:30 McMinnville plays Central Catholic and at 4:45 Oregon City goes against Baker.

Tonight's two games send Washington, defending state champ, against The Dalles at 7:30 and Astoria against Lebanon at 8:45.

No Capacity Crowd
Last night's opening games did not attract a capacity crowd to the university gym. (Full details of those games are found in today's sports section.)

Medford (48)	R	F	F	F	P	P	T	P
Watson, f.	11	4	2	2	3	0	12	10
Ross, f.	14	5	2	0	0	0	12	12
Riggs, c.	5	2	0	0	1	5	8	8
Reich, g.	5	2	0	0	1	5	8	8
Stelle, c.	15	4	1	2	1	9	9	9
House, c.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Singer, g.	4	1	0	0	0	4	3	3
Cave, g.	2	1	0	0	0	2	2	2
Coghil, f.	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Stammert, f.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	60	20	8	8	17	48		

Roosevelt (34)	R	F	F	F	P	P	T	P
Bolen, f.	9	2	0	0	1	4	9	9
Brower, f.	8	4	1	2	5	8	8	8
Winters, c.	2	0	0	1	4	3	3	3
Peterson, g.	7	3	1	0	2	7	7	7
Johnson, g.	13	3	2	6	1	8	8	8
Lindstrom, f.	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Smethurst, f.	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
Sandweg, g.	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cheney, c.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gazeley, g.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	42	13	8	11	14	34		

Rainier (47)	R	F	F	F	P	P	T	P
Bail, f.	32	7	1	0	3	15	15	15
Putnam, f.	6	2	0	0	1	4	4	4
Evans, c.	17	8	4	3	4	14	14	14
Mierotto, g.	6	1	1	1	3	3	3	3
Sanford, g.	7	3	1	1	5	7	7	7
Beck, g.	3	0	1	1	2	3	3	3
Feltham, f.	5	2	1	1	3	3	3	3
TOTALS	71	19	9	8	20	47		

Technical foul: Rainier. Shooting percentages: Bend .317; Rainier .446. Officials: Warren and Piluso.

Woodburn Favors Swimming Pool

WOODBURN, March 12 (Special)—Woodburn voters passed the bond issue for its new swimming pool Tuesday in a special election, 318 to 119.

The east side precinct voted 139 to 55 for the issue and the west side 179 to 64 in favor.

Voting on the site, from a list of several proposed sites for the pool, will take place at the May 17 primary election.

Izvestia Says Reds Not Seeking World Dominion, Just Security

By Eddy Gilmore

MOSCOW, March 12.—(AP)—Russia will not yield to any threat of force, and any attempt to frighten Russia leads down "a fatal road," a special article in Izvestia asserted today in a second soviet press attack in two days on Winston Churchill's proposal for British-American military cooperation.

The article implied that Churchill's March 5 speech at Fulton, Mo., had the backing of the British government, and said he hoped the United States would take the primary role "in the future struggle with all his strength."

The blunt, plainspoken definition of Russia's present position, written by Eugene Tarle, one of the soviet union's best known historians, was described by foreign observers as one of the most

important commentaries in recent years of soviet journalism. Tarle declared that Russia was not seeking "world domination," but that she intended to "secure all her frontiers."

"We will not yield to any kind of threat, any kind of cunning, any kind of one-sided or many-sided weapons," he said, "but will continue on our way, not turning aside, not making attempts on foreign interests and not yielding ours."

The author said that Russia would not allow a repetition of 1941 and would "not permit even a most modest preparation for an attack on our borders." He described as "dangerous" the advice of some British newspapers that the way to deal with Russia is to "show them we are strong."

Nations which have tried to show force to Russia have always lost, Tarle declared. Tarle, com-

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G.M., CIO In Parley Marathon

By the Associated Press
Negotiations continued in Detroit early this (Wednesday) morning between General Motors and the CIO United Auto Workers after a short after-midnight recess in talks aimed at settling the 113-day strike of 175,000 production workers.

The parley, first night negotiations since Feb. 28, began at 9:15 o'clock (EST) last night, with James F. Dewey, special federal mediator, declaring "we might work all night."

In Washington earlier in the day John L. Lewis called on the nation's bituminous coal operators to boost pay and shorten the work week and create a health and welfare fund for his 400,000 soft coal miners.

Lewis, who has threatened a United Mine Workers strike April 1, submitted only generalized demands at a conference of producers and UMW officials in Washington.

His formal proposals, which he termed "negotiable suggestions" did not refer to his demand on the operators a year ago for a 10 cent per ton participation royalty on coal for the health and welfare fund.

Portland Milk Crisis Slated For Saturday

PORTLAND, Ore., March 12.—(AP)—Four milk producers' associations supplying 80 per cent of the Portland area fluid milk will divert the supply to other uses Saturday unless OPA grants price increases by Friday, a producers' committee chairman declared tonight.

Warren Mattson, chairman of a meeting of producers here today, also announced a committee has been named to direct emergency milk deliveries to hospitals, some homes and possibly for school lunches use. Producers in southwestern Washington and western Oregon are represented by the four groups.

OPA announced the district office had given the milk problem "top priority" and that data was being compiled to seek a decision before Friday.

Sino-Russian Official Slain

CHUNGKING, Wednesday, Mar. 13.—(AP)—The official Central daily news reported today that Li Chao-Ling, chairman of the Sino-Russian friendship association at Harbin, Manchuria, was found stabbed to death there March 10.

The paper described Li as commander-in-chief of the anti-Japanese (Chinese communist) forces in Manchuria, but communist headquarters in Chungking was unable to support this identification.

National government officials in Harbin reported the incident to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's headquarters in Manchuria, the news said.

Snell's Appeal Nets 28 Kegs of Nails

Construction of 142 homes for veterans in Portland and Hillsboro, halted last week by lack of nails, was in progress again Tuesday, thanks to 28 kegs of nails obtained through an appeal made by Gov. Earl Snell.

Although the governor's appeal brought replies—and nails—from three persons in Portland and one in Salem, Gov. Snell said there is still an urgent demand for more nails. Anyone having surplus nails, he said, would be doing a great service by turning them over where they are most needed.

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Russians Reassure China, Move to Iran

Troops On Way To Soviet

CHUNGKING, March 12.—(AP)—Official Russian assurance was given today that soviet troops evacuated from Mukden were slated for shipment out of Manchuria. This statement evoked general satisfaction and relief from Chinese officials.

The precise situation in and around Mukden was obscured by conflicting reports.

It was taken for granted here, however, that central government forces would be able to hold the city despite reported incursions of Chinese communists. The latter were reported to have obtained only a toe-hold in one suburban section.

From northeast China command headquarters in Chinchow, 150 miles southwest of Mukden, Associated Press Correspondent Spencer Davis reported that Chinese government troops inside Mukden were taking control of the city in an orderly fashion.

They were being steadily reinforced by well equipped units moving in over the Mukden-Peiping railroad.

Davis said there was no confirmation whatever, in telephoned messages from Mukden, of earlier reports of street clashes inside the city between Chinese communists and government troops, nor was there any evidence of previously reported large fires there.

Denver Police Capture Two Escaped Cons

DENVER, March 12.—(AP)—Allan Brumfield, 29, and Harold William Manning, 24, who escaped the Oregon State penitentiary western Washington and western Oregon are represented by the four groups.

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Brumfield was serving a life term for murder and Manning was under 10-year sentence for burglary when they scaled a prison wall in a heavy fog.

Girard said Manning was apprehended last night outside a roller rink, but Brumfield saw officers and fled, only to be arrested today. Officers became suspicious of the men, they noticed 45 caliber bullets on the floor of the car in which the two were sitting, the detective reported.

Police found three machine guns, three Springfield rifles and three pistols in the car, which Girard said was stolen.

Lehman to Quit UNRRA Post

WASHINGTON, March 12.—(AP)—Herbert H. Lehman announced tonight he is resigning as director general of UNRRA on account of his health.

He made public a letter to the central committee of the UNRRA for submission to the council meeting in Atlantic City, N. J., Friday.

The letter asked that his resignation be presented to the council so that it may choose a successor.

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Resigns



Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter of the state system of higher education whose resignation was accepted by the state board at its meeting yesterday.

Raise Asked For Educators, Hunter Resigns

PORTLAND, March 12.—(AP)—A demand for a 20 per cent salary hike at Oregon's university and colleges and Chancellor Frederick M. Hunter's announcement of retirement highlighted today's business-crammed state board of higher education meeting.

The board voted to ask the war assets corporation to appraise the Klamath Falls marine barracks in a step to decide whether to take over the plant as a higher education institution. The action followed a report by Capt. Lowell Coggeshall, barracks chief medical officer who just returned from Washington, D.C., today.

Appealing for all the state system's colleges, a six-man committee asserted a prompt pay increase was needed to avert disaster at the institutions. An Oregon State college chemistry professor, Dr. Leo Friedman, declared the crisis was "too acute to await the next state legislative session."

A resolution said the board "recognizes the acute emergency and will do everything in its power to meet it" when budgets for the year starting July 1 are formed.

Chancellor Hunter, whose resignation was accepted by the board, will go on sabbatical leave at half salary for a year starting July 1. He indicated that health was one of the reasons for his early retirement—three years before he reaches the compulsory retirement age.

DEVIN TOPS MEYERS
SEATTLE, March 12.—(AP)—Mayor William F. Devin was returned to office tonight by the voters of Seattle, defeating Lt. Gov. Victor A. Meyers by more than 16,000 votes on the basis of complete unofficial returns.

Significance Unknown
Diplomatic officials said that they did not know exactly the significance of troop movements toward the western border of Iran which fronts on both Turkey and Iraq with its rich Mosul oil fields, but they said the development, if true, might be connected with Russian pressure on Turkey for possession of the Turkish provinces of Kars and Ardahan and for special rights in control of the Dardanelles.

Tied Vote Delays Construction Of State Hospital Farm Building

Hoping for a reduction in materials costs within three months, the combined state board of control and state emergency board by a tied vote Tuesday delayed action on construction of a custodial building for the state hospital farm, low bid for which was \$186,930 over the estimated cost of \$325,000.

The first members voting to defer construction said they did not oppose the building project, but believed the cost of materials would be reduced within 60 or 90 days.

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Reds Said Rolling to Frontier

By John M. Highower
WASHINGTON, March 12.—(AP)—The state department tonight disclosed it has received reports that Russian armed forces and "heavy military combat equipment" have been moving south from the soviet frontier toward Tehran and the western border of Iran.

The United States government, the department said, has asked the Russian government to confirm or deny the reports and if

Reds Approach Turkish Border

TEHRAN, March 13.—(AP)—Highly reliable sources said today that Russian combat troops are moving southwest across northern Iran in the general direction of the Turkish and Iraq borders and that Soviet tanks and armored cars have moved into Kars, 20 miles from Tehran.

Reports from Azerbaijan province indicated that a new Russian cavalry column was fanning into Iran through the border town of Astara on the Caspian sea.

Combat troops with full campaign kit have entered towns close to the southern end of Lake Urmia, near the Turkish and Iraqi borders, these sources said.

They are true to explain the reason for the troop movements. No Details
While the official announcement did not go into details of the Russian forces involved, diplomatic authorities said the forces were reported to include tanks and cavalry in considerable strength.

The new American note on this situation is in addition to a note sent earlier this month protesting the failure of the soviet government to withdraw its troops from Iran completely by March 2 in accordance with an Anglo-Soviet-American agreement made with the Tehran government during the war.

Members of the emergency board voting to defer construction of the hospital custodial building pending receipt of new bids were Senators Dean Walker and Ernest Flatland and Representatives Eugene Marsh, Bert Snyder and Henry Semon.

Favored Building
Voting to award the contract on the bid received were Governor Earl Snell, Secretary of State Robert S. Farrell, Jr., State Treasurer Leslie M. Scott, Senator Howard Belton and Representative Stanhope Pier.

Governor Snell said it might be some time before material prices and other costs would be reduced and stressed the necessity for the custodial structure.

Senator Flatland said it was his opinion that the two boards should do everything possible to obtain as much building as possible for the money expended but added that he had no desire to delay the construction program. "I merely want to determine that we are right," Flatland continued. Snyder, Semon and a number of others said they agreed with Flatland.