

Labor Bill Filibuster Ends, Vote Monday.

(Story in col. 8)

Alumina Plant Spreads Across North Salem Site



Aerial view (top photo) shows the Salem alumina plant, now operated by Columbia Metals Co. Kilns, sand and mud bath basins and buildings, all used to process clay into alumina for aluminum manufacture, are shown at left, machine shops on right. The center building is now used in fertilizer production. Lower left picture is Emil N. Bjell on left and R. M. Royer, sacking fertilizer for shipment to China under UNRRA. In photo at right, Lewis Patterson, operator, stands at one of nine centrifuges, which precipitate the ammonium sulphate crystals from solution. (Story on page 6.) (Statesman photos by Don Dill, staff photographer.)

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Stroup

When the word was telephoned last night of the death of Bishop Bruce R. Baxter, the instant reaction was one of shock, of concern for Mrs. Baxter and of a sense of personal loss. That mixed feeling I am sure rushed through the minds of thousands of people when they learned the sad news.

Were we not disciplined by similar experiences the response might have been one of incredulity but in these days the sudden snatching of the life-cord occurs so often one no longer demands verification of such a report.

To compose a eulogy for Bishop Baxter would be easy for his virtues were so manifold and so evident.

His was definitely a life of service, not merely service to an institution like the church to which he dedicated himself, or to Willamette which always was dear to his heart, but service to people, to all people, for Dr. Baxter made all he knew persons to be remembered and served.

A note from a distant point. A clipping from a paper he thought might interest you. A call at a hospital or a home. Visiting in his travels old students of Willamette. Looking up relatives of acquaintances. There seemed no limit to these personal friendly offices he would perform. He kept his host of friends always in mind.

There was disappointment here when he left the university presidency to accept the office of bishop. To him it was the call of his church and into its duties he threw all of his abundant energies. It is heroic as well as tragic for him to be called in the midst of his labors during the sessions of a conference in his home area.

Grief, personal grief, grips the hearts of a multitude. They feel the personal loss of a friend as well as sorrow over the passing of a great leader. But the good bishop would not want us to give way to grief. He would remind us always that life calls as well as death.

Let each think of Bishop Baxter as he saw him last perhaps striding along the street waving his hand in friendly greeting or in the pulpit or on the platform, or in company at a house or gathering. He has stepped out through an open door, but the memory of his vibrant personality, his deep loyalties, his ready sympathies, his love of people his buoyancy abides. Through the mist that clouds our eyes comes the glow of a brighter vision, of a man translated in triumph at the zenith of his powers. That memory, that vision will inspire a great host in all walks of life, of many creeds or none, whom Bishop Baxter touched along life's highway.

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Housing Picture Darker

NEW YORK, June 21 (AP)—The housing shortage throughout the United States is far more critical than a year ago.

Almost 40 percent fewer new homes were started this spring than last. Their average construction cost was up 23 percent. The number of families evicted amounted to more than 13 times the total of new dwellings erected.

This serious situation is disclosed in a survey tabulating official housing statistics in 157 of the nation's largest cities, just completed by the Associated Press.

While the need for new housing has been estimated as high as 10,000,000 units, only 37,514 new homes and apartments were started in 157 cities in the first quarter of 1947. Sixty-three of the cities had waiting lists showing 370,773 families without homes; only 25,238 dwelling units were started in those cities.

Last year, 61,795 new dwelling units got under way in the same period in the 157 cities. Total costs estimated for the dwellings provided for GI veterans and their families in the early part of last year.

The effect of last year's emergency housing on the comparison is particularly noticeable in the college states of the east. In New England the number of homes started this year was 66.1 per cent below the 1946 quarter, while average costs went up from \$3,722 to \$4,221, amounting to a 66.5 per cent rise. In the middle Atlantic states construction was down 63.4 per cent and average costs were up from \$3,153 to \$5,760—an 82.6 per cent rise.

The Midwest and far west were nearer to the national average, production being down 32.6 per cent and 34.9 per cent, respectively in those areas, with average costs up 12 per cent and 24.1 per cent, respectively.

Plane Crashes in Downtown Seaside

SEASIDE, Ore., June 21 (AP)—A plane carrying three Port Angeles coastguardsmen crashed in downtown Seaside today, but the three escaped serious injury.

The pilot, Elwood Darms, and Albert Eckersley were taken to a hospital—Darms with a fractured ankle and cuts, Eckersley with a fractured elbow. The third man, James H. Britt, was only scratched.

The three had flown here from Port Angeles in a chartered Piper Cub to weekend at the beach here. Darms said he was maneuvering for a landing on the beach when the engine apparently failed. The plane was seriously damaged.

Rollin K. Page Prominent City Attorney, Dies

Rollin K. Page, former city attorney and long time prominent Salem attorney of 1815 S. Commercial st., died unexpectedly Saturday afternoon in a local hospital where he was taken Thursday. He was 71 years old.

He was born in Portland in 1875, the son of Judge W. W. Page, a native Virginian, and Albina V. (Amiraux) Page. After attending school in Portland he moved with his parents to San Francisco and was graduated from the University of California law school.

Page married Alice Hurlburt of Toronto, Ont., in 1906 at Portland and shortly thereafter moved to Salem with the Portland General Electric company. He later began his law practice here, which continued until the time of his death.

He was a member of the Episcopal church, the Masons and the Elks club. Surviving are his wife, Alice Page, and sister, Albina Page, both of Salem, and two nephews, Wilmer C. Page of Salem and Maxwell M. Page of Portland.

Funeral services will be announced by the Clough-Barrick Funeral home.

Playground For West Salem

WEST SALEM, June 21 (AP)—A playground for West Salem children will be opened Monday on the school grounds, Councilman W. C. Heise announced today.

The city council granted \$250, to be matched by the school district, to set up a recreational center for the next two months. Open 10 a. m. to noon and 1 to 5 p. m. each week day, the playground will make use of school facilities and handicraft supplies from the Salem playgrounds. Bill Hanauka, who has been named West Salem junior high coach for next year, will direct playground activities.

Heise is chairman of the parks committee of the West Salem city council.

FORD-FIRESTONE WEDDING AKRON, O., June 21 (AP)—Two of the nation's most famous industrial families were united today when Martha Parke Firestone, granddaughter of the late King of rubberdom, became the bride of William Clay Ford, grandson of the late auto tycoon, in one of the most elaborate weddings of 1947.

BUILDINGS APPROVED The district construction review committee Saturday approved construction of a \$43,000 church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Salem and a \$20,000 Oregon Farmer Union cooperative store at Newberg, the Associated Press reports from Portland.

Weary Sen. Morse Yields After Ten-Hour Talkathon

Can Senator Hold Floor While Leaning on Desk?

WASHINGTON, June 21 (AP)—The senate mullied this one over today. Can a senator lean on his desk and still be held to hold the floor?

The question never was settled. Senator Lodge (R-Conn.), presiding, declined to rule on the point, which was raised by Senator Morse (R-Ore.) during his filibuster on the Taft-Hartley labor bill.

Morse said that Senator Brewster (R-Me.) had objected to his taking "a little more restful" position and he wanted to know his rights.

Incidentally, Morse said that "I just don't like filibusters. He told his colleagues of his own long talk: 'This is not a filibuster to prevent a vote. This is a filibuster to assure unlimited debate in the senate.'"

Morse once was a professor of argumentation. Another top character in the senate filibuster was Senator Taylor (D-Iowa) who gained much experience in delivering speeches as a test show actor.

Senator Lucas (D-Ill.), who had been out of the city, returned to the chamber in mid afternoon and asked Morse how long he had been speaking.

Morse said he had no idea and asked Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.). "It seems like a couple of weeks to the chair," Vandenberg replied.

Hartley Issues Answer

WASHINGTON, June 21 (AP)—A filibuster by foes of the Taft-Hartley labor bill cracked late today and Republicans won an agreement for a senate vote Monday on their own terms.

They confidently predicted it will exact the measure into law over President Truman's veto by the required two-thirds majority and three or four votes to spare. Opponents of the bill conceded their chances are slim for stopping it.

The voting agreement was reached after 28 1/2 hours of a marathon session by consent of all present. But the debate then went on, although only five senators remained on the floor, with Senators Murray (D-Mont.) and Olin Johnston (D-S. C.) speaking against the bill.

Finally, after 30 hours and 12 minutes—the longest session in 20 years—the senate recessed until 11 a. m. (EST) Monday. Then the debate will start again until the hour of the vote, 2 p. m. (EST).

From outside the chamber, Rep. Hartley (R-N.J.), co-author of the bill with Senator Taft (R-Ohio), issued a scathing answer to the presidential veto and broadcast. Hartley called Mr. Truman's arguments "false." He said some language the president attacked is not in the bill of all in its final form. He accused the president of sponsoring "misrepresentations, half truths and distortions."

The Monday vote will find two senators absent who could have been counted on to support the veto. Senator Wagner (D-N. Y.), father of the 1933 labor relations act which the bill would change, is ill in New York. Senator Elbert Thomas (D-Utah) is in Geneva as a delegate to the international trade organization and said today he will not be here.

Taft, smiling confidently, predicted that the veto will be overridden "by three or four votes." This was the margin forecast by other supporters of the bill, too, Morse gives up.

The agreement for a vote came when Senator Morse (R-Ore.) gave up what he acknowledged as a filibuster "to assure unlimited debate" after holding the floor ten hours non-stop.

Wherry, preliminary to seeking the agreement asked Morse to yield for a question—a procedure that would not have deprived him of his right to keep on speaking.

"I am glad to yield the floor," replied the weary senator in his hoarse voice, and sat down without explanation.

The crowded galleries applauded him, for his long stand, and it took Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich.) in the chair a moment or so to restore order with his gavel.

Refuses to Concede Defeat Morse had taken up the bill from Senator Taylor (D-Iowa) at 3:30 a. m. (EST), and as he talked throughout the morning and into the afternoon, he refused to concede that the president's supporters were licked.

Salem Still in Competition for Naval Armory

Salem is still in line for a naval armory, local committeemen in charge of its procurement said here Saturday.

The assertion followed a report last week that Eugene would receive the only building in the state to be used for the naval reserve. The information was contained in a wire to Eugene city officials from Sen. Wayne Morse.

A naval reserve building for Salem had been recommended several weeks ago by the navy after an inspection of this area, local committeemen said. That proposal has gone to Washington, is now under advisement and has not yet been refused, the navy has informed local leaders connected with the drive to secure the building.

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71 Die in India Partition Riots

NEW DELHI, June 21 (AP)—Rioting mobs killed at least 16 persons and set fires that cast a smoke pall over Lahore today as legislators from all parts of Punjab province poured into the capital city to vote on partition.

The new outbreak in the Punjab, along with rioting near Lucknow in the united provinces, brought to 71 the death toll in two days of communal rioting in India.

The legislators attended meetings of the Muslim league, Sikh and Congress parties prior to Monday's session of the assembly, when they were expected to decide to split the province into sections which will join Hindustan and Pakistan, the separate Hindu and Moslem states to be created in India.

LAWYERS FOR SWEET HOME PORTLAND, June 22 (AP)—John D. Galey, former chairman of the west coast lumber commission, and his wife, a Portland attorney, will establish a law practice in Sweet Home August 1.

School Zone Ruling, Budget Matter Face City Council

By Robert E. Gangware City Editor, The Statesman

Several issues stirring the public sentiment may combine to produce a lively city council session and taxpayers' budget meeting at 8 p. m. Monday in city hall.

Scattered forces strongly opposing any move to permit school facilities or churches in residential zones already have notified aldermen of their stand against a pending ordinance bill opening residential zones I and II to such uses.

The council is expected to receive the city zoning commission's recommendation that, instead, the council use its discretionary power under the existing zoning code to permit or deny school and church locations as requested. The commission also recommends that parks and playgrounds be brought within this discretionary power, which must follow notice to residents and public hearing.

Primary opposition, most aldermen report, comes from residents near Baker and Olive streets, three blocks north of Junior high school and Parrish Junior high, where school officials hope to establish on school property a sports field to accommodate the regular school physical education classes.

School Superintendent Frank B. Bennett has pointed out that existing grounds near the schools are inadequate and that nearly half the Salem public school enrollment centers in Parrish and senior high schools.

Some Salem residents also have voiced their opposition to indiscriminate establishment of churches in residential areas, on grounds of the noise and congestion which might result. In the taxpayers' budget for the \$1,090,000 city budget for 1947-48, now drafted in final ordinance form, the matter of a proposed new city restaurant in-

pector is due for review. Although the budget committee last month deleted the \$2,805 salary item provided for a restaurant inspector in addition to present city sanitary inspector Batty Cooper, the county-city health department under Dr. W. J. Stone since has marshaled support for restoring the item.

At least some of the aldermen are expected to hold their previous stand that a restaurant inspector's duties would overlap those of Sanitary Inspector Cooper, veteran of more than 20 years in city service and the only full-time city-employed officer working with the health department. The city shares in support of the county health department, which has a sanitary officer whose duties include restaurant inspection outside of Salem.

Those favoring a 3-1/2 year city restaurant inspector, including some public officials and citizen groups, indicate the growth of this

city has been sufficient so that need exists for both a trained restaurant inspector and for a sanitary officer devoting his full time to various "nuisance" matters.

Other final-hour requests for change are considered unlikely at the budget meeting. The budget calls for a \$470,000 tax levy, slightly under last year's levy.

Another matter of considerable public interest which may come to a head at Monday's council session is the city administration's plan for a downtown bus terminal on the High street parking in front of the Marion county courthouse.

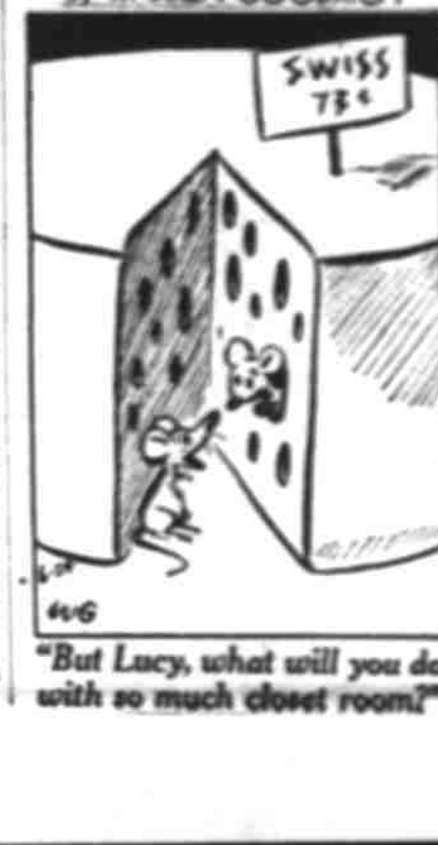
This plan is opposed by those, including some aldermen, who feel a bus station would detract from the courthouse square, especially when a new courthouse is built within the next few years. Opponents also point out that such a plan would prohibit the contemplated widening of High street in that one block.

Local businessmen added their protest yesterday by announcing they plan to call a mass meeting and circulate petitions in opposition to the proposal.

Acceptance of the plan, however, has increased with the recent explanation of details by City Manager J. L. Franzen before various civic groups and their representatives. Proponents express their belief that traffic congestion downtown would be alleviated and that a waiting room would be a welcome innovation for city bus travelers.

Our Senalors Won 8-3

Animal Crackers



"But Lucy, what will you do with so much closet room?"