

Salem School Board Considers Transportation, Salary Change

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Matters of transportation, finance and teacher salary schedule occupied the Salem district school board at its regular meeting Tuesday night in the school office building. Progress of the district-wide census was reported by Superintendent Frank B. Bennett, who reminded that today is the final day of the door-to-door survey.

Bennett asked that persons with children of any age up through 19 years call the school office or their nearest elementary school if they have not been censused by this evening. Census crews were expected to complete their task today with the exception of checking residences whose occupants were not at home on first call.

Purchase of a new 65-passenger bus was referred to the transportation committee. Business Manager Connell C. Ward noted that, since the district bought a fleet of 17 buses from a private operator last summer, three vehicles with capacity of 144 have been sold. Three more of the older buses are not in use. Already purchased are seven new buses, carrying 47 passengers each, except one with 54 (total of 336).

Contract Authorized
The board authorized a transportation contract with Polk county for transportation of high school students from non-high districts. Bennett said the load had lightened from last year since West Salem joined Salem district and obtained a junior high school which serves many Polk county students.

Because the October payroll of approximately \$22,000 will raise district bond debt, borrowing above the \$150,000 authorized, the directors asked placing the limit at \$200,000. The funds are borrowed from banks for repayment after tax receipts begin to arrive.

Changes in Schedule
Adopted changes in the teaching salary schedule, already endorsed by teacher committees, provide:

An "equivalent" to the master's degree for teachers with a full collegiate year in work for a specialized degree for which a bachelor's degree is prerequisite.

That special or vocational teachers with standing equivalent to degree work be allowed to rise on the salary schedule according to advanced work, so long as all education course requirements are completed.

That attendance at state summer vocational school may be applied toward summer school requirements of nine term hours each five years.

Maternity Leave
That maternity leave be five months before and after birth, with extension available, and that a teacher may be required to take any part or all of the leave.

With exception of the final provision, which is effective this year, the changes go into practice in September 1948.

Donald Young presided over the meeting in the absence of Chairman Roy Harland.

General Vandegrift Seeks Retirement

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—(AP)—The man who led the U.S. Marines ashore at Guadalcanal and upset the Japanese timetable of conquest for the first time in World War II has asked to be retired.

Now past 60, Gen. Alexander A. Vandegrift announced today that he has requested Secretary of the Navy Sullivan for release from active duty Jan. 1, 1948.

Vandegrift has been commandant of the marine corps since Jan. 1, 1944.



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Chemeketa Elect Keudell

Robert Keudell will head the Salem Chemeketa outdoor club for the ensuing year, club members announced Tuesday. The nine councilmen were elected at large, with specific assignments decided later.

Other officers are Paul Deuber, vice president; Bessie Smith, treasurer; Mary Foster, membership secretary; Alta Melchert, recording secretary; Dorothy Middleton, corresponding secretary; Robert Beecroft, hiking chairman; Kenneth Jennings, outing chairman, and Constance Smart, publications.

Appointive committee chairmen are Harold Melchert, lodge; Walter Batliner, auditing; Burton Cray, entertainment, and Charlotte Fake, historical.

State Payroll Figures Near All-Time High

With employment greater than for any period except the 1943-44 war-time peak, Oregon's payroll for the first half of 1947 reached a peak of over \$400,000,000, the state unemployment compensation commission reported yesterday.

Under the agreement the \$10 already paid to the secretary of state by these aircraft owners will be applied to the registration fee under the new registration law which is based on load capacity in lieu of personal property tax.

The old law required a registration fee of \$10 payable to the secretary of state plus a personal property levy. Administration of the registration law, under the 1947 legislative amendment, has shifted from the state department to the state aeronautics board.

Letters advising the 64 aircraft owners involved of the agreement reached at Tuesday's meeting have been mailed out by aeronautics board officials.

Pork Prices at 3-Month Low

By the Associated Press

Last spring's pig crop rolled to major midwestern markets in swelling volume Tuesday and prices slumped to their lowest levels since early July.

However, \$3 a bushel wheat returned on the Chicago board of trade for the first time since prices began topping last week in response to President Truman's call for a special session of congress to combat high living costs and aid Europe.

The slump in pork prices started with wholesale trading on October 7, the first meatless Tuesday in the current food conservation program. Since then, hogs have dropped \$4 a hundred pounds, the best selling at \$26 Tuesday. In the Chicago wholesale market, pork loins have declined from \$9 to \$10, selling now at \$50 and \$51.

'Aggression' in Trieste Reported

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28—(AP)—A congressman recently returned from Europe today charged communists with 63 "incidents of aggression" resulting in many casualties to U.S. forces in the Trieste area.

Rep. Marion T. Bennett (R-Mo.) said in a statement that the incidents had hitherto been kept secret by army censorship but that he had been furnished the information by American military intelligence officers while on a six-week tour of the Balkan area and the Near East.

U.S. Steel Reveals Stock Dividend

NEW YORK, Oct. 28—(AP)—The giant of the steel industry, U.S. Steel Corp., today announced its first special dividend since 1929 and raised its common stock from \$4 to \$5 annual basis in an action which Chairman Irving S. Olds said "reflects our confidence in the future."

Today's declaration by the directors, \$1.25 a share on common stock instead of the usual \$1, plus the special dividend of 75 cents a share, brought total disbursements for 1947 to \$5 a share.

State Flax Plant to Buy Netherlands Seed

The state board of control Tuesday approved a request of L. L. Laws, superintendent of the state flax plant, covering purchase of 200 bushels of Netherlands flax seed at a cost of approximately \$13 a bushel.

The board was advised that this seed is adaptable to Oregon's climate and growing conditions. A previous supply of this seed was destroyed in a fire at the penitentiary.

HOLLYWOOD
Opens 6:45

MY BROTHER TALKS TO HORSES

2ND FEATURE
"Seven Were Saved"
with Richard Denning, Catherine Craig, Russell Hayden

Newly-Added Areas Officially Part of Salem

Five suburban areas totalling 415 acres in north and south Salem officially became part of the city of Salem Tuesday, with these developments:

Annexation of the areas by special vote October 7, as canvassed by the city council Monday, was certified to the Secretary of State by City Recorder Alfred Mundt.

Inspection of the new city areas was made by a delegation of the city planning and zoning commission headed by Chairman Hedda Swart in preparation for calling a public hearing on the commission's zone plan for the new area tentatively in class I residential zone.

UAL to Seek Rate Increase

CHICAGO, Oct. 28—(AP)—United Air Lines announced today it will ask civil aeronautics board approval to raise passenger fares 10 per cent, effective December 12.

William A. Patterson, UAL president, said the proposed increase averages one-half cent a mile and would leave fares 5 per cent lower than they were in 1941.

He said rising costs plus the need for maintaining a sound air transportation system has dictated the increase from 5.1 cents a mile to 5.6 cents.

Before seeking the boost in fares, Patterson added, the company effected economies which will amount to \$5,250,000 this year.

Churchill Calls For New Elections

LONDON, Oct. 28—(AP)—Winston Churchill demanded today that the labor government cast aside socialism as a failure and follow the lead of the United States in an effort to achieve prosperity through a system of free enterprise.

The opposition leader, making his fourth parliamentary attempt to unseat Prime Minister Attlee, accused the labor government of "playing a low down party game from start to finish," and declared it was time to hold new elections.

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Cartoon - News

Relief Agencies See Raise in Unemployment

Representatives of varied Marion county and Salem agencies which deal with welfare problems Tuesday predicted increased unemployment and relief loads in the winter months ahead and decided to work for a united community program to meet welfare needs this winter.

Sixteen leaders of schools, public departments and other organizations talked over mutual or overlapping problems at a meeting in Marion county Red Cross offices Tuesday and planned for a similar meeting next Tuesday when City Manager J. L. Franzen and Salem Chamber of Commerce officials will be invited to participate.

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