

Hall Asserts Freck Charge Not 'Germane'

(Story also on page 1)
Charges pro and con that Joseph O. Freck, sr., was guilty of misconduct as a liquor commissioner were aired freely at Freck's hearing before Gov. John Hall yesterday, but the governor allowed no reference to Freck's complaint that the governor had tried to pressure the commission.

Hall said such complaint was not "germane" to the issues involved. When Freck mentioned prospective purchase of "a large amount of whisky," which he declares the governor wanted to have the commission buy, Hall ordered it stricken from the record.

In pursuing that point, Freck was following the written statement and "offer of proof" which Hall had conditionally accepted at the hearing. The two statements charge Hall with working both with the commissioners and H. V. Garvin, commission purchasing agent, in trying to have whiskey purchased from the Federal Distilling company of Denver, and also

a carload from the Continental Distilling company. Memorandum Presented
One of the documents given Hall for consideration in the hearing purported to be a copy of a memorandum from Garvin to W. W. Hammond, state liquor administrator. It was this memorandum which Freck declared was disposed of at the August 16 commission meeting because it "would be very harmful to the governor."

The memorandum reportedly informed Hammond of Hall's efforts to have the whisky purchased. Regarding the cellophane cardholders for which Freck's stationery firm was paid \$5200, or \$13 a thousand, A. N. Wyson, assistant state purchasing agent, said he obtained four bids recently to determine the justice of the price and found three of them under Freck's price.

The bids Wyson detailed included the Kings-Bacher-Murphy company \$11.50, American Plastic Products company \$10, Transparent Shade company \$8.

Bids Compared
On three other items purchased from Freck's firm, Wyson said the bids he obtained to compare them with Freck's prices showed that \$155.86 could have been saved. On 4800 flash box opener blades for which Freck was paid \$336, Wyson said the J. K. Gill firm bid \$270, on desk lamps for which \$18.50 and \$14.75 was paid, Wyson said he had bids of \$12.50 and \$10; and on photographer supplies costing \$217.44, Wyson said he had a bid from Eastman Kodak stores of \$152.48.

In some instances (he named only filling cabinets), Wyson said Freck's price was lower than any bid obtainable during the investigation. Purchases of the liquor commission are made by the commission's purchasing agents. Wyson said his own investigation was asked by Governor Hall.

NO MATERIALS SHORTAGE
PORTLAND, Sept. 15 (AP)—The Douglas Fir Plywood association said today it will build a one-story plywood testing laboratory here. The building, appropriately, will be of plywood.

Consolidation Plan Discussed By Officers

Consolidation of all branches of service—army, navy, air force, marines, coast guard—was discussed Wednesday night by members of the executive committee of the Salem Reserve Officers Association. Under the new plan reserve officers of all branches are formed in the one association.

The new association will hold its first regular fall meeting September 22 at the American Legion hall. The groups first fall social activity will be on October 22 with a dinner dance.

Members of the executive committee formulating plans for the unified association Wednesday night were Maj. Edward Houser, army, president; Lt. Comdr. Carl Cover, navy, vice president; Lt. Col. Homer Lyon, army, acting secretary; Lt. Comdr. D. N. Moorey, navy; Maj. Henry Meyer, army; Col. George Spauer, army; Lt. Roy Rice, air force and Maj. Harlan Judd, army.

Oil Refinery Truce Holds

RICHMOND, Calif., Sept. 15 (AP)—There was an uneasy truce today in the strike-bound Standard Oil company refinery, where strikers yesterday engaged police in a bitter battle of rocks and tear gas. At noon today pickets were told to be ready for action in case of another attempt by non-striking workers to pass through the picket lines. They hastily erected a barricade a block from the main entrance.

But the blockade of lumber, oil bed springs and pilings was taken down a short time later.

'Mum' Show to Use Models

Plans for a style show with live models showing use of flowers is a feature added to the Salem Optimist club's Chrysanthemum show scheduled for November 6 and 7 at the armory. W. W. Caldwell, Portland, vice president of Optimist International, will be in Salem to formally open the "Mum" exhibit, Kenneth Foster, Salem club president announced Wednesday.

The Optimist club has set Wednesday noon at the Gold Arrow restaurant for its regular meetings during the coming months.

County Ready with Broadway Street Extension Plans

Extension of Broadway street in north Salem from the city limits to North River road may become a reality this winter, it was indicated Wednesday. Marion County Engineer Hedda Swart said he will begin today contacting property owners of the land through which the new road would go. If plans are completed in time, he said, the road will be surveyed, laid out, leveled and graveled for use "as soon as possible."

Hot Spell Speeded Oregon Harvests

PORTLAND, Sept. 15 (AP)—Good progress in Oregon's truck, fruit, and grain crops during the last week's hot spell was reported today in the U. S. weather bureau's weekly crop-weather bulletin. The spring grain harvest progressed rapidly; picking of bartlett pears neared an end; prune picking began in the Willamette valley, and walnuts and filberts gave good promise.

Chin-Uppers to Hold Meeting in Portland

Salem area Chin Up club members are invited to a joint meeting with the Portland chapter September 19th at the Central Methodist church, southeast 9th and Ash streets, Portland, Beth Sellwood, Chin Up president announced Wednesday.

The meeting will start at 12:30 p.m. and will include a no-host dinner.

Girl Companion Of Killer Back In Jail Again

PORTLAND, Sept. 15 (AP)—The girl who accompanied Jack Drew when he shot and killed a sheriff's deputy three years ago was in jail here again today. She was arrested with her husband, Robert Wallace Steyers (alias Longevan). Both were bound over to the grand jury on a federal auto theft charge.

It was Mrs. Steyers—then Opal Newcomb—who bewailed "I don't know how I got into this mess" when her boy friend, Jack Drew, killed sheriff's deputy Al Bove in November, 1945. The engagement ring Drew had given her just before the shooting turned out to be stolen.

Drew is now serving a life term. The girl, 22 at the time, was freed without charge after Drew told police she had not known of his plans. She was riding with Drew and another man when they held up a tavern and then shot the pursuing officer.

Willamette Student Talks on 'Jim Crow'

Alex L. Parks, Willamette university student from Alabama, spoke on the topic "In the Land of Jim Crow" at a meeting of the men's brotherhood of Jason Lee Memorial Methodist church Wednesday night.

New officers in charge of the meeting were J. Earl Cook, president, Archie Gardner, vice-president, and Lee Haskins, secretary-treasurer.

State Board Lifts Log Hauling Ban

PORTLAND, Sept. 15 (AP)—Logs may be hauled over all state highways again now. The state highway commission ended its tourist season restrictions on log hauling yesterday. Eight contracts were awarded by the commission. They included:

D. F. McKenzie, Salem, \$191,193 to grade and surface 6.85 miles of the Medical Springs highway in Baker county, and \$89,577 to oil 21 miles of the Warner secondary highway in Lake county.

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Breyman Building Remodeling Job Bids to Be Opened

Bids will be opened Monday for remodeling of the Breyman buildings at Court and Commercial streets, R. P. Boise disclosed Wednesday. No estimate was made on cost of the project, which will include complete modernization of the exterior and preparation of the interior for four mercantile firms. Lyle P. Bartholomew, Salem, is architect for the project. Workmen are already removing some of the fixtures used by the last tenant, state selective service headquarters.

The P. D. Quisenberry pharmacy remains the only announced tenant, with a corner location.

Glen Kleen Elected Hi-Y Council President

Glen Kleen, Salem high school student, was elected president of the Salem Hi-Y council at a meeting Wednesday night in the YMCA. The council is formed from representatives of the Hi-Ys of the three Salem schools.

TO OPEN BIDS ON COTTAGE

Bids will be opened Friday for construction of a physicians cottage at the Fairview Home, the state board of control announced Wednesday. The cost was estimated at \$15,000.

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Evans Tosses Another Win

PORTLAND, Sept. 15 (AP)—A pair of pitchers with 39 no-hit games each to their credit tangled tonight in the Women's World Softball tourney with Portland's Betty Evans coming out the winner over Marie Wadlow of the Peoria, Ill., entry, 1-0. The win moved the Portland into the finals of the title brackets. Dayton, Ohio, Phoenix, Ariz., and Des Moines, Ia., also won tonight and the Bridgeport, Conn., and Pottstown, Pa., clubs were ousted.

Korea Wreck Toll Revised to 35

SEOUL, Sept. 15 (AP)—A train collision south of Seoul last night killed 35 U. S. soldiers and injured 80 more — most of them homebound from duty in Korea — in the worst disaster of the occupation. The army, announcing the figures, said 35 of the injured were in serious condition. Two Korean children were killed and 40 other Koreans were injured.

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gether now and then for a barbecue and a friendly glass of beer." And from where I sit, that about sums it up. Ranchers may have different names for things or grow different crops. But all over America folks who work the land share those common traits of hard work, sober moderation, and good fellowship, whether they're growing cattle for beef, or barley for good American beer and ale.

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