

# West Salem Council Requests Salem Approval for One-Way Grid, Baldock Bridge Plan

WEST SALEM, March 7—The city council of West Salem renewed its endorsement of the Baldock highway traffic plan at a meeting here tonight.

The council ordered a letter to the Salem city council, which will act on the \$7,600,000 bridge, highway routing and one-way street plan March 14, in which West Salem expresses the belief that "the success of the entire plan is hinged upon adoption of the grid system of one-way streets in Salem proper."

Mayor Walter Musgrave, who drafted the letter, told his council he felt the plan for a new bridge between Salem and West Salem might be sidetracked if Salem were unwilling to establish the one-way streets. The Baldock plan calls for a new two-lane bridge leaving Salem at Marion street, with that bridge and the present Center street bridge each carrying one-way traffic.

In other action the West Salem council: Endorsed a public utilities application by John Ratzlaff to establish direct bus service from Salem to coastal points via West Salem and Dallas. Refused Portland General Electric company permission to replace a power pole on Edgewater street near Puritan market. Councilman Earl Burk said the pole, now broken, has virtually no service on it and the law provides that PGE can use Salem Electric poles under the joint usership provision if it must service a customer.

Authorized the local Boy Scouts' sponsor committee to have a 10-year lease on the old city hall for scout use. Turned over to committees or city officers for study a claim by Charles Ledgerwood, 791 Rosemont st., in connection with broken arm incurred by his son when he fell into an open storm drain manhole on West Seventh street in August, 1947; a petition by eight citizens seeking to fall fir trees at city hall to eliminate storm danger; and request for drainage tile across the road at 1342 Eighth st.

# Taft Supports Ruling to Bar Filibustering

WASHINGTON, March 7—(AP)—Senator Taft (R-Ohio) today threw his weight behind a crumbling administration effort to break a southern democratic filibuster in the senate.

Taft, who heads the senate GOP policy committee, told reporters that if Vice President Barkley rules that debate can be limited on a motion to take up a proposed senate rules change he will support that ruling.

Administration forces have made a motion to take up a proposed rules change under which debate could be curbed at any time that two-thirds of those present so decided.

The proposed rule was offered as a prelude to an attempt to pass civil rights legislation, and southerners are filibustering against the motion.

If Barkley should so decide, his ruling would be appealed to the senate as a whole. An administration lieutenant, who asked not to be quoted by name, said today that leaders have become convinced they can't muster enough votes to make Barkley's ruling stick. Only a majority would be necessary to uphold such a ruling.

If the administration leaders fail in that move, there is some doubt that they will try seriously at this time to wear out the 19 southerners who are primed for lengthy talks.

**Commercial Fishing on Yaquina Bay Asked**  
A proposal to open Yaquina bay at Newport to commercial salmon fishing was introduced in the senate Monday by the game committee. It would allow fishing by set nets, gill nets and drift nets.

**Held-in lieu of \$1,000 bail, Webster is a former employe of an electrical company here. The warrant was made out last February charging him with taking certain electrical items.**  
Sheriff Young also said Monday that Seattle authorities have in their custody Horace L. Roberts, wanted in Marion county on a charge of larceny of \$120 from a Salem woman. Roberts was released Saturday from Oregon state prison after serving 18 months on a charge of forgery.

# Hometown Honors Paid to Gov., Mrs. McKay at Reception



Crowds lined up at the entrance to the Marion hotel Monday night as several thousand Salem residents honored fellow citizens Governor and Mrs. Douglas McKay at a public reception. The hotel was packed and the crowd overflowed into the nearby armory and Crystal Gardens for dancing during the evening.



Extending an invitation to a forthcoming Farrish Junior high school talent show to Gov. and Mrs. Douglas McKay is Donald Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Smith of 310 Kappahua rd. With Smith were other costumed students, Marygrace Harger, 2950 Fisher rd.; Fred Rodgers, 1890 N. Liberty st., and Dick Meyer, 944 Belmont st.



Lorraine Taylor, one of the many clubwomen who passed guest book pages during the evening. Signing her page are Mrs. Robert Duncan and Mr. Duncan of Silverton and watching are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Staff.

# At the Governor's Reception

By Jermye English  
**A BRILLIANT AFFAIR** . . . and long to be remembered was the city-wide reception given in honor of Salem's own governor, Douglas McKay, and Mrs. McKay Monday night . . . The Marion hotel the setting . . . a colorful sight to see the hundreds of people arriving to pay tribute to the McKays . . . The lobby packed with guests all evening . . . and not even an Oregon rain drop to spoil milady's spring chapeau (and there were many new ones noted) . . . Here and there and everywhere . . . the dozens of attractive clubwomen asking everyone if he had signed the guest book . . . Mrs. William Phillips and her committee worked hard to compile the book (and a lovely one it is, of leather with Oregon's gold seal in the center) . . . we counted nearly two thousand signatures, so we are sure very few names were missed . . .

**The honor guests** . . . Governor and Mrs. McKay . . . she lovely in a handsome navy blue gown highlighted with a navy or-gandie collar with white embroidery . . . and pinned to her shoulder gorgeous white orchids with yellow centers . . . and the official hosts for the city . . . Mayor and Mrs. Robert L. Eifstrom . . . the latter in a becoming spring print of avocado green and her creamy orchids with pink centers. **Directing guests** . . . to and from the line . . . Mrs. Agnes Booth, the county school superintendent . . . in royal blue crepe with matching hat . . . Mrs. Charles A. Sprague in grey . . . Mrs. James T. Brand, the co-chairman, selecting a deep mauve suit and matching chapeau with light mauve flowers . . . and complementing her outfit was a lovely lavender orchid . . . Mrs. Ralph Cooley, wife of the other co-chairman, choosing pearl grey and matching hat . . . an orchid pinned to her ensemble . . . Mrs. Charles McElhinny's black straw adorned with a white maline bow . . . Mrs. Harry Collins wearing a gay

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# Silverton Sets Vote on Levy

SILVERTON, March 7—(Special)—A special tax levy election to raise funds for purchase of a new pumper fire truck and to furnish housing for it was voted by the Silverton city council Monday night.

The election has been set for March 23. The levy, not to exceed five mills, would be for two years. The council, with vice chairman George Christenson presiding in place of Mayor C. H. Weiby, suggested covering an existing concrete ramp north of the city hall for housing the truck.

# Norblad Urges Polk Road Aid

DALLAS, March 7—(Special)—Favorable consideration for Polk county's federal claim for repairs to roads damaged during the occupancy of Camp Adair was urged recently by U. S. Rep. Walter Norblad of Oregon's first district.

In a letter to the army's judge advocate general Norblad noted that he drove over the roads last fall and found them in bad condition as a result of constant use by army trucks.

Norblad added that while Polk county "is very substantial and prosperous" it lacks funds to make the major repairs necessary, and that it is only just for the army to make restitution since damage was caused by the activation of Camp Adair.

# Co-op Obtains Oyster Plant

Purchase of the Peterson Sea Foods plant in North Bend by the Coos Bay Farmers cooperative, for use in processing and canning oysters, was announced recently.

Ralph Shepard, Salem, president of the co-op, said the plant will begin processing oysters from Coos Bay beds as soon as alterations can be made and equipment installed.

Other officers of the co-op include W. V. Cate, Lebanon, vice president; G. A. Coffey, Salem, treasurer; Warren Gray, Turner, Cornelius Stuy, Newberg, Ernest Hoisington, Dallas, and Ernest Werner, Silverton, directors.

# Lebanon Having One-Way Trouble; So's the Mayor

LEBANON, March 7—A prominent business woman crossing the street at Ash and Main street was concerned to see a car approaching northward against one-way traffic.

Concerned, lest a stranger was headed for a spot behind the eight-ball with city police, she paused to motion him the error of his way. The gentleman driving the vehicle "passed" and waved pleasantly to her.

It was Lebanon's mayor, she said.

**Others noted** . . . Brunette Mrs. Kenneth Allen, whose husband sang during the reception, smart in black and her pink hat adorned with a pink bird feather . . . Welcome home for the Carl E. Nelsons, who have been in Mexico and the sunny south the past two months . . . Many state officials and their wives glimpsed amidst the crowds . . . and a large percentage from the state legislature and their wives . . . coming from out-of-town for the special occasion . . . W. E. McIntosh, Drain; Hollis Smith, Dal-

# No Russ Policy Change Seen by British Leader

LONDON, March 7—(AP)—Senior British diplomats believe Vyacheslav M. Molotov is being groomed to step into Stalin's shoes as Soviet prime minister, reliable sources reported today.

These informants said the opinion apparently is based on reports which British Ambassador Sir Maurice Peterson has sent from Moscow. They said Peterson warned against expecting any basic change in Russian foreign policy as a result of Molotov's release as foreign minister.

The same views were expressed here privately by a high ranking diplomat of one of the eastern European communist countries.

All expressed the opinion that Stalin would remain No. 1 man in Russia even if he should quit his post of prime minister. His supreme position would be safeguarded, they speculated, by his personal prestige and his posts as communist party secretary general and politburo member.

Informants made it clear that Ambassador Peterson himself did not make an outright prediction that Stalin contemplates retiring from the prime minister's job.

The sources said Britain, the United States and France are likely to pool their views on the Russian even in an effort to form a firmer picture of the significance pending clarification by actual events.

# 2 Dallas Youths Admit Thefts of Autos to Police

DALLAS, March 7—(Special)—Two Dallas youths have confessed automobile thefts to Polk county authorities, the district attorney's office revealed today.

Earl Patrick Wycarver, 18, admitted taking an auto belonging to Floyd Gray the night of February 18 while it was parked near the local gymnasium. He said he started it by cross-wiring the ignition, then drove to Pedee and abandoned the car on the way back when it ran out of gasoline. He will appear before the grand jury Wednesday morning.

A 16-year-old confessed taking a Salem car belonging to C. Cruise, Inc., on March 2. He admitted stealing license plates in Falls City and selling accessories from autos that had been stripped, also.

Art Teterud, Dallas police official.

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