

Kells Named Secretary for County Chest

C. A. Kells of Salem Tuesday night was named executive secretary and public relations director of the Marion county community chest on a year-round basis.

Kells' employment was announced at the Marion county chest group's board of directors meeting in Salem.

Kells will conduct an educational campaign to show county residents the "purpose of the chest."

In other action Tuesday night, a committee was named to nominate officers and directors for the county chest and report at the next meeting scheduled February 27.

Members include: Charles A. Sprague, Salem; Pat McLaughlin, Woodburn; Leonard Fisher, Mt. Angel; Earl Adams, Silverton; and Walter Bell, Stayton.

It was announced at the meeting that \$9,934 has been reported in as collected during the last chest drive for allocation to the county. Several cities have not reported.

The county budget called for \$18,882. Directly voted to pay rate money collected for distribution to various agencies who are recipients of chest funds.

Asian Alliance Against Reds Aim of Meeting

(Story also on page 1.)
BANGKOK, Thailand (Siam) Feb. 14—(AP)—The conference of U.S. diplomats of the far east today tackled two urgent problems—an Asian alliance against communism and a peace treaty for Japan.

The 20 diplomats buckled down to the major questions after four sessions of political, economic and social reports.

Philip C. Jessup, ambassador at large (who is presiding), issued a statement saying the diplomats are studying reactions of Asian nations to "various suggestions which have been made in the past concerning the possibility of some kind of regional association in the area."

He did not amplify this. It was understood, however, the talks revolved around the much-proposed Asian anti-communist pact.

This first was suggested by the Philippines and Thailand.

Each diplomat explained the views expressed on such a pact in the country to which he is accredited.

It is known the south Korean republic wants a military pact. Bao Dai's French-backed Vietnam government in Indochina is also believed to favor a military agreement.

Jessup said Saturday that the United States would not initiate a military alliance in Asia, but would be sympathetic if the nations themselves got together and organized one.

The chief stumbling block is India, which has been sticking to the sidelines in Asia's hot cold war.

The Philippines, too, have been cool toward a military pact. The diplomats also discussed a peace treaty with Japan as part of the measures to halt the communists in this part of the world.

All signs point to economic aid as the chief U.S. weapon in the struggle for control of Asia.

The conference was called to get the views of all American diplomats stationed in the Orient. This information will be passed on to Washington, which will decide upon the program for Asia.

Floods in East Follow Sleet

By the Associated Press
Turgid flood waters went on a new spree in parts of the Ohio and Mississippi river valleys Tuesday on the heels of crippling sleet and rain storms that took at least 15 lives and isolated scores of communities.

All industry was shutting down in Cairo, Ill., to save scarce fuel for pumping operators.

Twin tent cities were set up to house flood refugees in Louisiana. The coast guard returned to southeast Missouri to aid evacuations.

The second mass exodus in a month started from the New Madrid floodway below Cairo on the Mississippi.

HOLLYWOOD
Starts Today—Open 6:45
Meet "DETECTIVE"
VAN JOHNSON
GLORIA DE HAYEN
ARLENE DALL
TOM DRAKE
SCENE OF THE CRIME
M-G-M Picture
Comedy Co-Feature!
HEDY LAMARR • ROBERT CUMMINGS
LET'S LIVE A LITTLE
An Eagle Lion Film Release

Cheery Bluebirds on Program of Richmond PTA



Bluebirds and other children's groups of Richmond school were busy Monday night putting on a program for the school's active Parent-Teachers' association. The Cheery Bluebird unit is shown singing in pantomime the "Bird and Spider Song." At the left are Mrs. Eldon Kintore and Mrs. Ralph Webb, active in children's activities. The

Bluebirds are (left to right): Linda Seburn, Gloria Schmidt, Kathy Hill, Ann Case, Patricia White, Janice Walker, Laura Breese, Carolyn Seamster, Carol Harland, Edith Brown and Jo Eve Bailey. Leader is Mrs. Roy Harland. (Statesman-George Hewitt photo.)

Space Lease To County Gets Board's Okeh

A contract for leasing 26 rooms in the Salem school administration building to Marion county for about \$1,400 a month was approved by directors of the Salem public school district Tuesday night.

The county would use the space to house county offices while the new court house is under construction. Terms in the lease were on a basis of 7½ cents per square foot of floor space.

The space currently is occupied by the state unemployment compensation commission which reportedly expects to vacate the school building about March 15. The board also discussed staging dedications at the new Washington and Lincoln school buildings. Supt. Frank Bennett was authorized to proceed with preliminary plans.

The Campfire Girls were granted permission to use the Leslie school gymnasium for a grand council campfire on April 22 at a reduced rental fee.

The 1950-51 school year calendar was approved, with holiday observances to follow the same pattern as this year.

Rail Dispute Mediation Talk Breaks Down

CHICAGO, Feb. 14—(AP)—Mediation talks broke down today in a dispute between 220,000 conductors and trainmen and the nation's railroads.

Francis A. O'Neill, Washington, chairman of the national (railway) mediation board, called off peace conferences his body had been conducting since Jan. 16 because "the mediation was getting nowhere."

The board chairman said the railroads and the unions had agreed to reply within 48 hours to his request that they arbitrate the issues.

The unions, the order of Railway Conductors and the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, announced last week that their memberships had voted 95.5 percent approve of a strike authorization in the dispute.

O'Neill said there is no immediate strike threat, however, because the railway labor act provides a strike must be postponed until at least 60 days after an emergency fact-finding board is appointed by the president.

It is possible that the dispute will not go into the emergency board stage.

Jersey Cattlemen Hear Irvin Slater

Statesman News Service
ALBANY, Feb. 14—Irvin Slater, American jersey cattle club representative, addressed about 50 members of the Linn-Benton Jersey Cattle club at a monthly meeting at Albany Tuesday.

Lloyd Forster, president of the Linn-Benton group, reviewed the organization's revised constitution. Members were solicited for calves to be used as prizes for outstanding 4-H club members.

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Crooner Sinatra, Spouse Separated

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 14—(AP)—Nancy Sinatra announced today through her attorney that she and her husband, Crooner Frank Sinatra, have separated.

Her attorney, Arnold M. Grant, said that Sinatra's lawyer, Henry Jaffe, is due here by plane tomorrow to work out a property settlement and custody of the Sinatra's three children, Nancy, nine, Frank, jr., six, and Christina, nearly two.

The Sinatras have been married 12 years and have separated before.

Residential Appraisers To Get Charter Tonight

Harry H. Hall of Chicago, national president of the Society of Residential Appraisers, will address Salem chapter 85 tonight at a dinner meeting scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the Senator hotel.

Hall will present a charter to the Salem group which organized January 20. A social hour at 6:15 will precede the dinner meeting.

Session on Armor Slated for Reserves

All Salem organized army reserve units will meet at 8 o'clock tonight at Bush school to hear Capt. Harold W. Keyser of the 6th army discuss the "U.S. army doctrine of armor."

Capt. Richard Reynolds, instructor of Salem units, said all other army meetings previously scheduled for tonight have been cancelled. Tonight's session is one of a series being conducted by 6th army headquarters.

Gov. McKay to Attend Meeting of Voiture

Gov. Douglas McKay is slated to attend a meeting of Marion county voiture 153, 40 at 8, at 6:30 tonight at the Gold Arrow cafe, the voiture announced Monday.

McKay, who is a member of the organization, is expected to speak at the meeting.

ERDELATZ VISITS SEATTLE

SEATTLE, Feb. 14—(AP)—Eddie Erdelatz, the U. S. naval academy's new football coach, was in Seattle today visiting high school coaches, two of whom were wartime buddies. Harvey Lanman of Franklin high school and Dave Currie of Cleveland served in the navy with Erdelatz.

Dance Tonight

CRYSTAL GARDENS
Old Time & Modern
Music by Pop Edwards

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Capacity Crowd Views Show Presented at Richmond School

A capacity crowd was on hand Monday night when Richmond school's girl organizations entertained members of the Parent-Teachers' association at the school.

Girl Scout troop 65 presented a tenderfoot investiture ceremony. Receiving tenderfoot pins were Betty Aston, Nancy Ferguson, Marcia Humphrey, Beverly Mathews, Marilyn Hallisy, Phyllis Ostergerg, Patricia Parrin, Mari D. Roper, Sharon Seary, Judy Seely and Janet Thorn. Presented with second class pins were Orva Lynn Gemmel, Phyllis Kaye Morris and Judy Remington. Mrs. Leslie Morris, troop leader, presided.

Members of Mrs. Scott's Jolly Blue Birds gave skits showing playground activities. Performing were Judy Baker, Carol Smity, Joyce Marie Sheets, Carol Thorn, Barbara Holloway, Carol Fay Scott, Kathleen Schmidt, Carol Pedersen, Gloria Wood and Carol Jean Berry.

The Penny Blue Bird group, led by Mrs. Denton Bridges and Mrs. Al Laue, sang the Blue Bird's official song. Participating were Sharon Acree, Tessie Bridges, Larena Breese, Sandra DeKett, Bonnie Joe Dalton, Anna Kay Dempsey, Judith Ann Drager, Julie Higgins, Sharon Kinton, Gloria Jean Kling, June Laue, Ann Mohler, Marilyn Marschat, Clara Alice Patton, Patricia Ann Peterson, Jeanie Reh, Patricia Ann Shimonide, Maudie A. Smith, Jeaneane Wilson and Nacy Joe Walker.

Brownie troop 96, led by Mrs. Louise Amundson and Mary Beardsley, presented a play about the organization. Participating were Dianne Amundson, Judy Boursion, Shirley Croker, Lenita Hanson and Joy West.

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Cost of Proposed School Program Termed Too High

(Story also on page 1.)
Cost of a proposed program to increase public school facilities in the Salem district was termed too high by several speakers at a meeting of citizens and school authorities here Tuesday night.

Walter Musgrave, Salem realtor and a candidate for mayor, suggested that perhaps a "friendly opposition" committee could be organized to work with the school board in attempting to solve the problem.

Mrs. Agnes Booth, Marion county school superintendent, indicated support of the plan and noted that "Salem school district taxpayers are getting more for their money than those out in the county."

Roy Harland, attorney and former school board president, said he thought the plan presented by Supt. Frank Bennett had merit, but doubted that it would carry. He urged citizens to get behind the school board and help work out an answer.

Several others present spoke in favor of the suggested program; some tempered their remarks with suggestions to proceed with caution.

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New Big Three Meeting Urged By Churchill

EDINBURGH, Scotland, Feb. 14 (AP)—Winston Churchill tonight urged a new big three conference to reach a truce in the hatreds between the eastern and western worlds.

If conservatives win Britain's general election nine days hence, the participants in any such conference presumably would be Churchill, Joseph Stalin and President Truman.

Labor Prime Minister Atlee a year ago, in his latest statement on the question, said he saw no reason for inviting Stalin and the president to London for such a conference.

Making his first election speech in Scotland, Churchill gave forthrightly his major attention for the first time in the campaign. He revived the talk of another big three conference which has never died completely since the last one—at Potsdam in 1945.

Churchill said: "Still, I cannot help coming back to this idea of another talk with Soviet Russia upon the highest level."

"The idea appeals to me of a supreme effort to bridge the gulf between the two worlds so that each can live their lives, if not in friendship, at least without the hatreds of the cold war."

Ailing Portland Official Reported as Missing

PORTLAND, Feb. 14—(AP)—Cornelius P. Leehan, 63, veteran deputy city treasurer who has been ill, was reported missing today.

His family said he left for church Sunday and has not been seen since. Leehan took leave of absence from his office Jan. 2 because of his illness. He had worked in the city treasurer's office 34 years.

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