

New East Salem Lions Club Given Charter Night Send-off

Nearly 200 Lions club members and guests from Salem and the valley gave Salem's fourth Lions club, the East Salem Lion, a big send-off Tuesday night at a charter-night banquet at the chamber of commerce.

Five Bulgars Indicted for Spying for U.S.

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 21-(AP)—The communist press announced the indictment of five Bulgarians on charges of spying for the United States and termed the American legation here a spy nest.

Washington's decision to end relations broke a 32-day impasse between the two countries. It was touched off January 19 when Bulgaria declared U. S. Minister Donald R. Heath persona non grata.

Heath's name has been mentioned repeatedly in the trial of Trichko Kostov, former vice premier who was executed in December for treason. Prosecution witnesses declared Heath was implicated in plotting against the security of the communist state.

The newspapers told of the indictments under this heading: "The legation of the United States in Sofia—center of plots and espionage against the people's republic of Bulgaria."

The five Bulgarians were charged with transmitting political, economic and military information to the American intelligence service.

Heading the list are Shipkov, former legation interpreter, and five Rindova, 32, former telephone operator at the legation.

The indictment said Shipkov testified in a pre-trial confession, that Heath "every day and at every separate occasion" sowed among the employees of the legation the idea that the present communist-led government soon would be changed.

Latourette to Seek U. S. Senate Post
PORTLAND, Feb. 21-(AP)—Howard F. Latourette, 66, Portland attorney and former democratic national committeeman for Oregon, today announced he was a democratic candidate for the U. S. senate.

He is the first democrat to announce candidacy for the seat now held by Republican Wayne Morse. He said he would file Thursday.

Latourette last was a candidate in 1942, when he lost the democratic nomination for governor to Lew Wallace.

A native of Oregon City, he was a member of the 1935 state legislature and speaker of the house in its special session.

MISSOURI TREES
COLUMBIA, Mo. (INS)—Missouri farmers have planted more than eleven million forest tree seedlings in the past ten years.

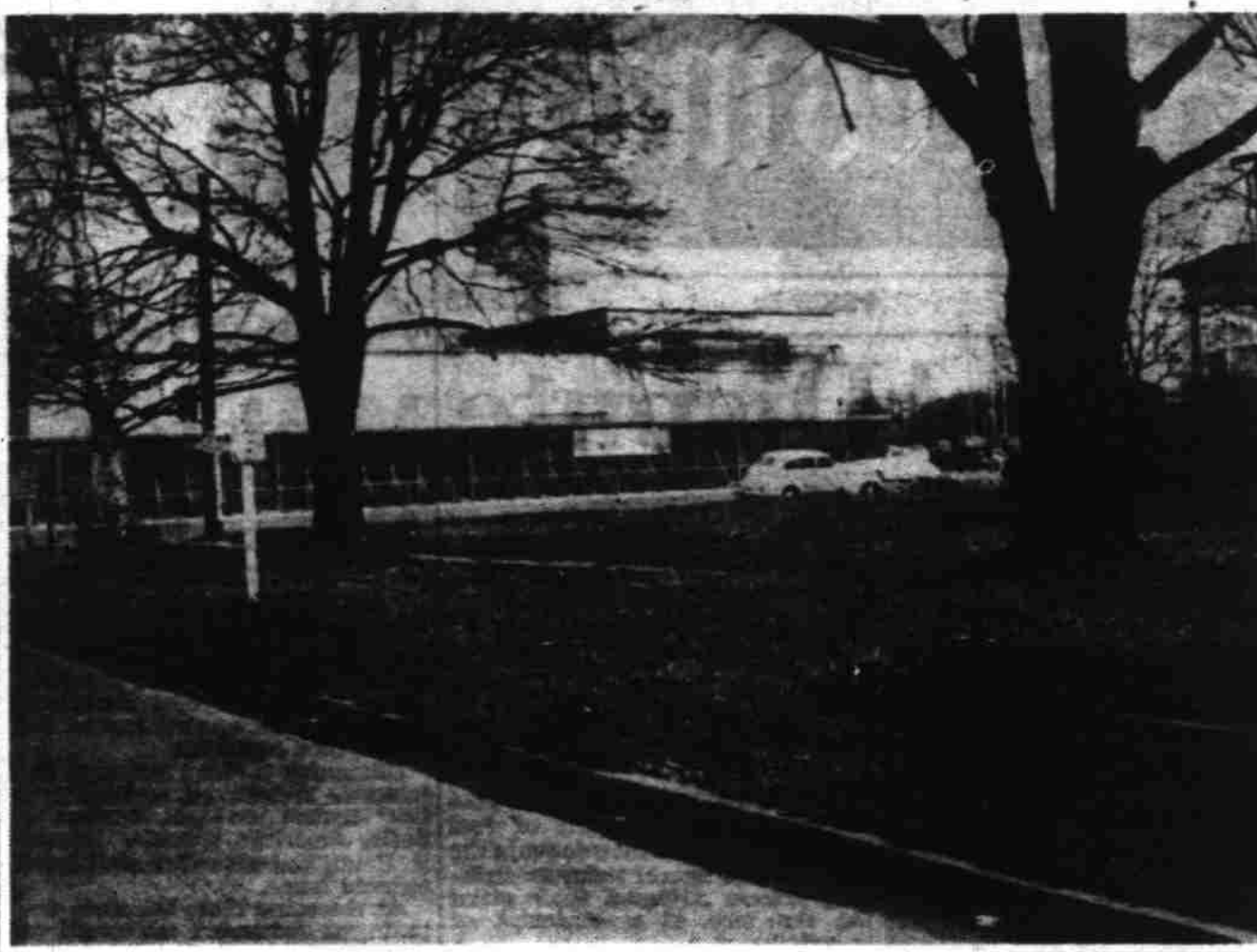
In 1949 more than fourteen hundred farmers participated in the program, planting 772,000 trees and two million multiflora rose plants.

Many Scales, Gas Pumps Discovered To Be Inaccurate
A large number of scales and fuel pumps in Oregon were found to be giving short measure during 1949, the state agricultural department reported Tuesday.

Approximately 20 per cent of the heavy duty scales tested by the department were condemned along with 7.75 per cent of the small scales.

Of the retail gasoline fuel pumps tested 11 per cent were found to be giving short measure. Twenty-two per cent of wholesale fuel pumps also were found defective.

May Become Business Site



This vacant lot at the southeast corner of Capitol and Center streets may be site of a new service station if a zoning commission recommendation of Tuesday night is accepted by the city council. The lot is pictured from Capitol street, looking across Center street to the now-building Owl Drug Co. building in the Capitol Shopping center. (Statesman photo).

Parking Relief for Statehouse Area Called for by City Zoners

Automobile parking relief in the statehouse area was called for Tuesday night by Salem city zoning commissioners in response to preliminary suggestions of the new state capital planning commission.

The city zoners also showed resistance to proposals from Salem school district 24 for vacation of 10 streets and alleys which have been dedicated in properties now owned by the school district.

"Parking near the statehouse will have to be relieved if it takes parking meters or one-hour limits to do it," predicted City Manager J. L. Franzen as the local commission commented on possible purchase of four or more city blocks north of Center street by the 1951 state legislature.

Several zoning commission members said they favored immediate state purchase of four city blocks, on a block by block basis. If the state legislature accepts a plan for extension of a capitol zone on north from Union street, lots in that area should be acquired as they are offered from time to time, it was stated.

Franzen said the growing parking pinch in the statehouse area should dictate that one whole block north of Center street be turned over to parking for state employees. The other three blocks should be converted to park grounds until needed for state buildings, Franzen said.

Asked if he thought state workers in the Capitol or Court street office buildings would leave their cars three blocks distant, the city manager responded that the lack of parking space for people transacting business with the state soon would make it necessary to further restrict parking along Court and nearby streets.

Other zoning commission business last night at city hall: Accepted preliminary overtures from Paul F. Murphy and William E. Healy for change from class I to II zoning for an apartment house project on a 150 by 163-foot lot at South High and Kearney streets.

Referred to the zoning code general revision committee a preliminary request by Attorney Otto Paulus, representing Deena Hart, for business zoning on the west side of North Capitol street from the two lots just north of Madison street on to Hood street four blocks south. The Hart property is near Shipping street.

Set a March 21 hearing at city hall on long-deferred zoning of new city area west of the river. Recommended that the city council take favorable action on a state highway department recommendation of 40-foot setback lines on Portland road from the underpass north to city limits.

Vacations Considered
The school board request that 10 streets and alleys be vacated was taken under consideration by the zoners, pending a March 27 hearing.

City Attorney Chris Kowitz pointed out that some of the vacations would involve valuable property, including a 1.3-acre area in West Salem, where a 44-foot street one-fourth mile long on school property is considered as a future school building site.

The attorney said a school board letter had asked the vacations at no cost other than an \$800 sum which the city was to match in purchasing a \$1,600 right-of-way to substitute for Raynor street. The latter street, subject of a vacation controversy between the school board and property owner Myrl G. Clark for many months, lies across one end of the Leslie junior high school cinder track, but never was opened to public use.

No objections were voiced to vacating streets already occupied by the Bush, Highland and old high school buildings. Questioned were three streets and alleys in West Salem and three in the playground area north of Salem high school. Remonstrances from property owners near the latter site at Pearl and Baker streets were anticipated.

BRITISH DELIGHT
HOLLYWOOD (INS)—Paramount studios was surprised when Bob Hope's "The Paleface" was named the Number One comedy in 1949 in a recent British poll. The comedy is strictly American humor.

Smoke Report May Be Clue to Missing Plane

LETHBRIDGE, Alta., Feb. 21-(CP)—Bad weather today forced a U. S. army plane to turn back from a projected sweep over the mountains near Waldo, B. C., to investigate the possibility that puffs of smoke seen there were signals from survivors of a missing U. S. transport.

The plane, a U. S. army Stinson, came to Lethbridge today from Cutbank, Mont., and headed for Cranbrook, B. C. The weather closed in forcing it to turn back. An attempt will be made to resume the search tomorrow.

The transport, a C-54 carrying 44 persons, was bound for Great Falls, Mont., from Anchorage, Alaska, Jan. 26 and last reported by radio at Snag, Y. T.

There have been repeated rumors in the Waldo-Kingsgate area that a big plane was heard over there the same night.

A government road foreman reported seeing puffs of smoke from a mountain near Waldo, close to the international border in southeastern B. C., on Feb. 2. He said the puffs were repeated at intervals.

AGREE ON TAX REPEALER
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Kiss-Inspired Trouble Calms

BETHANY, Okla., Feb. 21-(AP)—Police cruisers guarded the Bethany high school grounds today. But there wasn't any trouble among students over yesterday's expulsion of five teen-age leaders in a student walkout.

About 30 students walked out Friday following a kissing incident when the basketball queen was crowned. The "strike" was against strict school rules in this strait-laced town of 2,500 a half a dozen miles west of Oklahoma City.

Police Chief O. F. McLain said he sent two officers to the school to protect school officials, Superintendent Harry Edwards and Principal Mrs. Alzoo Norwood.

The school board met tonight and reviewed the affair. Many parents who protested too harsh discipline and control over students also were present.

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Agent Testifies Progressive Party Red Led

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Matthew Cvetic, 41-year-old Pittsburgh insurance salesman identified scores of people as communists and named numerous organizations he said the communists control—like the American Slav congress. Most of the names are not widely known.

Cvetic was giving the house un-American activities committee chapter 1 of how he joined the communist party in 1943, worked his way up in it, and all the time filed secret reports to the FBI. He said he spent two years getting into the party and seven as an active member.

Tomorrow, he told reporters, there will be more details about the progressive party—the third party created in 1948 by former Vice President Henry A. Wallace.

Then, he said, he will go into communist activities in the United Electrical workers union and the steel and coal industry and wind up with the story of red plans for violent overthrow of the United States government.

Cvetic said he was appearing before the committee by "mutual consent" with the FBI. He wasn't an actual FBI agent, he said, but the exact connection will come out later.

FIRE STRIKES COLLEGE
BIG RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 21-(AP)—Fire raged through Ferris Institute, a state trade and business college, destroying the commerce and pharmacy buildings tonight. Only three of the school's 1,200 students were injured.

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over paint store

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TEA GARDEN

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Spade Cooley
Wally Vernon

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