

# Acheson Challenges Russia to Accept 7-Point Peace Plan

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### Local Men Rent Alumina Plant Fertilizer Output Scheduled Soon

A trio of Salem men Thursday took a lease on the Salem alumina plant and plan to manufacture fertilizer.

Planning to operate the industry as Continental Chemical Co., are Charles Strickfaden, president; George A. Rhoten, vice president.

The writer of "It Seems to Me," which usually occupies this column, is on vacation.

Produced Fertilizer The government plant was taken over by Columbia Metals Corp. and for some time ammonium sulphate fertilizer was produced.

To Start Production The new plant operators hope to get the long-idle factory into fer-

tilizer production next month. They are planning also to conduct research work to discover what other products can be manufactured here.

A short springtime production of fertilizer has been urged on the new corporation, said Metzger, because of the nitrogen shortage in this area.

Rented by Salem Men SEATTLE, March 16 (AP)—A war-born Salem metals plant has been rented to two Salem business men for the production of fertilizer, a general services administration official said here tonight.

O. C. Bradeen, regional director for the liquidation service, said Charles Strickfaden, a Salem lumberman, and George Rhoten, a lawyer, took over the old Columbia Metals plant yesterday under a three year lease.

Rental Fee Stipulated The lease calls for an annual rental of \$6,000 plus 50 cents for each ton over 12,000 tons produced a year.

### Proud to Be Wearin' Green

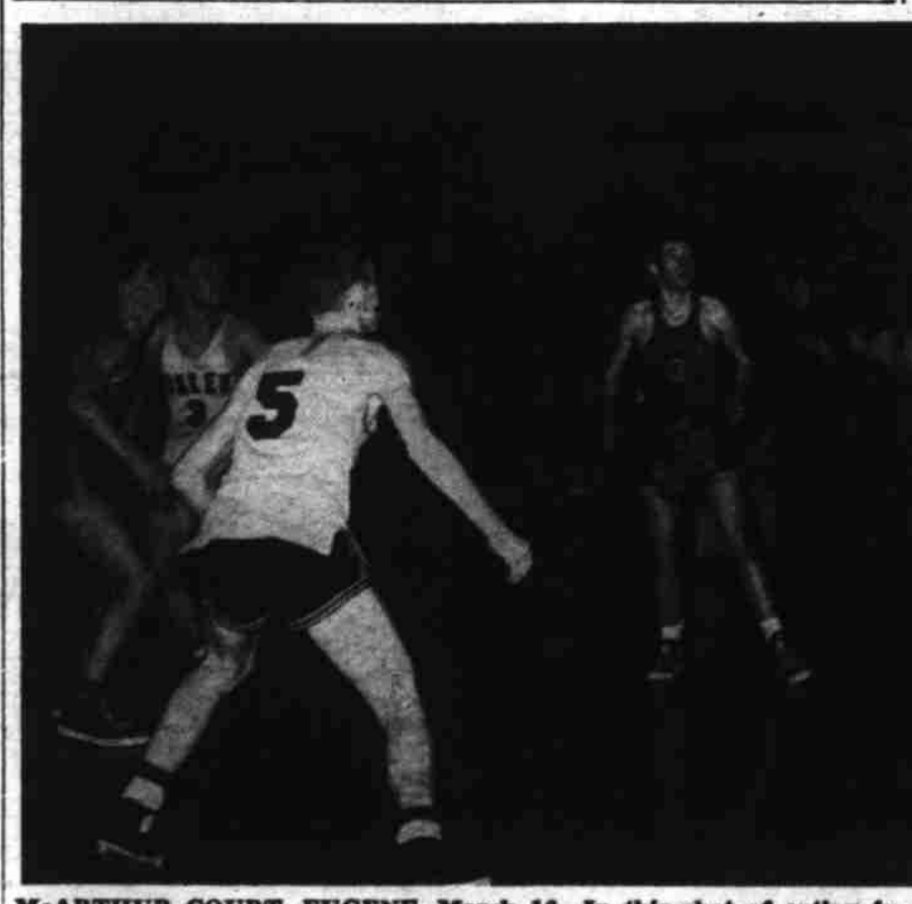


Sure, and as sure as today's St. Patrick's Day, the lad above is a true son of the old sod... a real Irish terrier, if ye please. Th' name's O'Toole, and he lives at 1280 N. 18th street, where also live the Harry M. Weselys. (Statesman photo).

### St. Patrick's Day Finds Dog with His Irish Up

By Don Dill Staff Writer, The Statesman Today being a sacred day to all good Irishmen, St. Patrick's Day, it is fitting to ponder the remarks and manners of another good Celt, "O'Toole"...

### Animal Crackers



McARTHUR COURT, EUGENE, March 16—In this shot of action in the Salem-Jefferson state basketball thriller today, Forward Jim Rock soars high to knock a jump-ball in the direction of mate Larry Chamberlain (5) late in the third quarter. Other Salem

### County Leases 26 Old School Building Rooms

A lease for 26 rooms of the Salem school administration building, beginning April 1, was authorized Thursday morning by Marion county court.

Until July 1, the lease is to be on a month-to-month basis. It can be canceled by the county without penalty at any time until then.

While most of the space may remain on a stand-by basis until nearly July 1, County Judge Grant Murphy said Thursday that the district court and constable, asked to vacate quarters in the Gray building, may be placed in the school building soon.

For the second conservative year, Sulimity was the first community to report passing of its quota. Chairman Leonard Hendricks turned in \$254, compared to a \$250 goal.

### St. Paul School Contract Awarded

ST. PAUL, Ore., March 16—Bernard & Kirk Construction company of St. Paul was awarded the contract today to build the new St. Paul Union high school here.

### Salem Bids for Museum Of State Historic Group

Salem placed its bid Thursday for the Oregon Historical society's invaluable museum now quartered in the municipal auditorium of Portland.

### SHS Hoopsters in State Semi-Finals Via Overtime Win

McARTHUR COURT, Eugene, March 16—In one of the most nerve-wrenching contests in state high school tournament history Salem high's Vikings today gained a semi-finals niche as they edged by the Jefferson Democrats of Portland in an overtime thriller 44-41.



players in the picture are Dick Norton (3) and Doug Rogers (10). Jefferson players are Don Scott (3) and Max Anderson (12). Salem won the fray in overtime, 44-41.

### Milo Melver Named to State Road Board

Milo K. Melver, Portland mortgage broker, Thursday was appointed to the state highway commission to succeed Harry Banfield, also of Portland, who was commission chairman.

The new appointee owns the Commerce Investment company in Portland where he has lived since 1925. He was president of the Portland Rose festival board in 1945-46 and has served as a director of the Portland school board.

Over Inch of Rain in Salem More than an inch of rain fell in Salem Thursday fanned by gusty winds that declined gradually after hitting 38-mile peaks about noon.

### Patterson Claims 8 Votes For Senate Presidency

PORTLAND, March 16 (AP)—State Sen. Paul L. Patterson, Hillsboro, said today he had eight pledges toward the presidency of the state senate next year.

### Zone Change Asked for \$1,500,000 Apartment



This is the "Park View Plaza apartments" contemplated for the southwest corner of South High and Kearney streets. Estimated to cost around \$1,500,000, the structure would be eight stories, have 122 luxury-type apartments, garage space for 60 cars, two automatic elevators, a recreational sun-deck and spacious lobby.

### Says U.S. Won't Be 'Sucker'

BERKELEY, Calif., March 16 (AP)—Secretary of State Acheson said today that the United States would not be an "international sucker" and challenged Soviet Russia to prove her desire for peace by accepting a seven-point program.

Completing a two-day round of foreign policy speeches in this area, Acheson declared: "We must not, in our yearning for peace, allow ourselves to be betrayed by vague generalities or beguiling profers of peace which are unsubstantiated by good faith solidly demonstrated in daily behavior."

He spelled out the points of greatest difference which he said must be reconciled between Soviet Russia and the non-communist world "if the two systems are to live together."

### YMCA Handed Constitutional Revision Plan

A revised constitution allowing special recognition for women members and for long-time directors was approved by Salem YMCA board of directors Thursday noon.

The constitutional proposals, which must pass the general membership before going into effect, would permit women, if elected, to serve on the board.

### Sub Defenses Push Ahead of Navy Air Arm

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—The navy expects its fleet air arm will have to fall back on second-line planes next year so the sea forces can step up anti-submarine defenses.

This was disclosed today by the house appropriations committee as it made public the navy's money requests for the next fiscal year starting July 1.

### House Approves Potato Quota Bill

WASHINGTON, March 16 (AP)—The house gave final approval today to a bill which would deny government price supports next year to any Irish potatoes grown outside a rigid production control system.

Similar action by the senate, possibly tomorrow, will send the measure to the White House.

IRANIAN BID RUMORED TEHRAN, Iran, March 16 (AP)—A Soviet embassy source said Daniel Komissarov, the embassy press secretary, left for Moscow today on "an important mission."

40 BELIEVED DROWNED GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, March 16 (AP)—Forty persons were believed to have drowned today in the sinking of the steamer Bolivar in the Guayas river. Twelve bodies were recovered tonight.

### THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	55	44	1.06
Portland	53	44	0.23
San Francisco	63	36	.00
Chicago	37	—	.11
New York	35	—	—

Willamette river 31 feet.  
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau, McNary field, Salem): Mostly cloudy with a few showers today and tonight. High today near 64; low tonight near 38.  
SALEM PRECIPITATION  
This Year 25.40 Last Year 28.27 Normal 35.50