

Salem School Levy, Bonds Approved by Vote; Moore Elected

A \$1,000,000 bond issue and 10-year serial levy were approved and M. E. (Gus) Moore was chosen director by Salem voters Monday in a special Salem school district election.

The count was 1,355 for and 763 against on the bond issue which will provide funds immediately for building. Construction planned at an addition at Washington and a two-room addition at Swegle. Contemplated for completion by September 1951 are expansion projects at Highland, Richmond, McKinley, Hayesville, Pringle, Lincoln and Bush schools.



M. E. (Gus) Moore
New School Board Member

The serial levy of 8 mills annually, to provide \$200,000 for continuing requirements was approved 1,332 to 770.

Moore, general secretary of the YMCA for the past two years, won the directorship position over Donald L. Parker, 1,416 to 668. Moore will fill the position held the past four years by Edward Majek, who was not a candidate for reelection. Voting in the ten city area precincts was comparatively light with

Precinct	Bond Issue		Levy	
	Yes	No	Yes	No
Highland	98	65	97	65
Washington	122	54	129	54
Grant	157	109	149	117
Englewood	161	112	161	112
School District	159	65	164	59
Richmond	177	112	178	112
Leslie	215	94	217	92
S. Heights	141	147	141	147
S. Lincoln	99	41	98	43
W. Salem	6	27	64	38
Totals	1355	763	1332	770

a total of 2,184 ballots cast. The measures carried in each of the precincts and Moore held a consistent 2 to 1 edge over his opponent throughout the district.

Official Says Johnson Backs Formosa Aid

TOKYO, Tuesday, June 20-(AP)—A reliable American official said today Defense Secretary Johnson "is leaning our way" on Formosa.

That would mean United States aid to the Chinese on the nationalists' island bastion out of communist hands.

This officer, whose name can not be disclosed, indicated a belief that Johnson may make a recommendation shortly concerning the nationalist stronghold which lies along America's defense line in the Pacific.

Informed sources said the defense secretary was told again today of Formosa's strategic importance to the U. S. He met for an hour this morning with Maj. Gen. Earle E. Partridge, acting commander of far east air forces in the absence of Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer.

Formosa's importance reportedly was emphasized by General MacArthur himself yesterday in a three hour conference with Johnson and General Bradley, chairman of the U. S. joint chiefs of staff.

Vote of Confidence Supplied Stalin by Soviet Parliament

MOSCOW, June 19-(AP)—The Supreme Soviet (Parliament) today gave unanimous confidence to Prime Minister Stalin's government to continue in office.

At the same time, the legislative body reelected Nikolai M. Shvernik chairman of the presidium of the supreme Soviet (equivalent to president of the Soviet Union) and A. F. Gor'kin, secretary. The presidium has legislative powers under the Russian constitution when the full supreme Soviet itself is not in session.

The supreme Soviet voted unanimously to support the resolutions adopted by the "World Peace Partisans Congress" at Stockholm in March.

KOREA ASSEMBLY OPENS
SEOUL, Korea, June 19-(AP)—The newly-elected South Korean assembly opened today with an anti-communist address by President Syngman Rhee and a promise of continued American support by John Foster Dulles.

BERRY PRICES SLIP
PORTLAND, June 19-(AP)—Strawberries began to reach the Portland market in volume today. Prices slipped slightly, ranging from \$2.75 to \$3.25 a crate for the 1778 crates offered.

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Gambling Czar Pleads Guilty in Bookie Case

Frank Erickson 'Makes Bet' on Court Verdict

By Al Parks and George Cornell
NEW YORK, June 19-(AP)—Gambling czar Frank Erickson, an old hand at figuring the odds, today played a long shot that could bring some degree of leniency, or a 60-year prison sentence.

Rather than stake his chances on a courtroom trial, Erickson pleaded guilty to 59 counts of bookmaking and one of conspiracy.

The paunchy, 54-year-old gambler, kingpin in a coast-to-coast, \$12,500,000-a-year bet - booking business, stood tensely beside the defense table in special sessions court as Judge Nathan B. Perlmutter asked:

"Does the defendant plead guilty to each of the 60 counts?"

"Yes," Erickson said firmly. District Attorney Frank Hogan said that the evidence against Erickson was "so overwhelming" that a guilty plea was his only alternative.

The plea, Hogan said, spells the end "for all time to come" of the gambling activity of a man he called "the biggest and most notorious bookmaker in the United States."

Erickson, a mild-mannered, balding little man who has never spent a day in jail in his life, was ordered back into court next Monday for sentencing. He was continued in \$10,000 bail until then. To seek stiff sentence, Hogan said he would ask the stiffest sentence possible.

The gambler could get a maximum of a year in jail and a \$500 fine on each of the 60 counts, or a total of 60 years and \$30,000 in fines.

There were reports that Erickson pleaded guilty in hopes of lessening his punishment, and to protect his wealthy betting customers from exposure in court.

Several New York businessmen, some of whom bet up to \$15,000 a day, testified before the closed sessions of the grand jury that brought charges against Erickson.

Some of the bettors were scheduled to be called as trial witnesses.

At his arraignment early this month, Erickson had pleaded innocent. The changed plea came at the scheduled start of his trial.

Erickson had candidly admitted to the senate committee on April 28 that he netted \$100,000 annually from an illegal nationwide, \$12,500,000 - a - year bookmaking business.

Four Babies In One Year

CHICAGO, June 19-(AP)—The John P. O'Connors didn't have any children 51 weeks ago. Now they have four—two sets of identical twins.

"Pretty good for a man who has been married only 18 months," tavernkeeper O'Connor said today. He is 33, his wife 31.

The O'Connors second set—John Patrick III and Matthew Michael—was born late yesterday—Father's Day. Their big sisters—Margaret Ann and Mary Beth—will be a year old Sunday.

"Quite uncommon," said Dr. Adolph Kraft, who attended both deliveries.

HUBBARD MAN ELECTED

HUBBARD, June 19—Odell Mortenson was elected to a three-year directorship on the Hubbard grade school board in light voting here tonight. He succeeds Marvin Barrett.

SANTA MONICA, CALIF.

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Lee and Father Blanchette to Found Early Missions

Lee and Father Blanchette to found early missions, the founding of Willamette university, the Champeog meeting, statehood, the burning of the capitol, wartimes.

And there were lighter touches and many a change of pace—a can can cabaret scene, a wedding or two, a Merline school ballet scene, a lively square dance, a hat twirling, a stubborn burro, an Indian raid.

Most of the action took place on a sawdust-covered track and grounds in front of the grandstand, with occasional tableaux on the stage above.

William Croarkin, representing Geller Productions, directed the pageant for which narrators were Tom Van Ornum, Margaret Allen, Ray Loter and Verne Atkinson.

Scores of Salem organizations joined efforts to provide the large cast, with several groups splitting responsibilities for each scene.

Ten Citizens Added to Marion County Via Naturalization



All but two persons in this picture are new citizens of the United States, after taking the naturalization oath Monday afternoon in Marion county circuit court. Representing seven different national backgrounds, the newly naturalized are, from left, Rosa Pirelli, Hubbard; Frank Francis Giroux, Silverton; Jean Mary Margaret Sibatuel, Agnes and Anthony Kopeczyk, Lucienne Marguerite Worthington, Isobel Margaret Slatum, all of Salem; Ole Benson, Woodburn; Irene Eveline (face hidden) and Harry Russell Worth, Colette Marie Antoinette Reynolds, all of Salem. At left, administering the oath is County Clerk Harlan A. Judd. Seated at the desk is Deputy Clerk Helen Mulkey.

New Citizens to Get Papers at Formal Dinner

Admitted that "we don't expect you to be perfect . . . but to be sincere," 11 Marion county residents became United States citizens Monday at a brief ceremony in the circuit court.

They took the oath of naturalization and will receive formal papers at a dinner Saturday at 7 p.m. in Salem YMCA, where most have attended citizenship classes in recent months.

Circuit Judge George R. Duncan also urged the new Americans to register as voters, since "we don't expect you to be satisfied always with the government, but to realize that any change should come by lawful means—elections."

After rejecting one petitioner on grounds that he needed to acquire more knowledge of the form of government, Judge Duncan talked with the about-to-be-citizens concerning their names (two had their given names altered by request) and their backgrounds, in seven different countries. Most were from Canada.

The new citizens, the countries to which they have renounced loyalty and their present addresses (Salem unless otherwise noted) are:

Frank Francis Giroux, 700 Water st., Silverton, from Canada; Jean Mary Margaret Samuel, 490 S. 20th st., Canada; Rosaria (changed to Rosa) Pirelli, Hubbard route 1, box 262, Italy; Agnes and Antonin (changed to Anthony) Kopeczyk, 4487 Claxter rd., Czechoslovakia; Lucienne Marguerite Worthington, 740 Ferry st., Belgium; Isobel Margaret Slatum, Salem route 7, box 170, Australia; Ole Benson, Woodburn route 1, Norway; Harry Russell and Irene Eveline Worth, 490 Leslie st., Canada; Colette Marie Antoinette Reynolds, 1427 Trade st., France.

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Truman May Seek H-Bomb Funds

British Warming to Steel, Coal Pool

LONDON, June 19-(AP)—British experts studying the Schuman plan have concluded that the political advantages of joining the coal-steel pool outweigh economic disadvantages, it was reliably reported tonight.

Britain cannot afford to risk western disunity at this critical stage of the cold war, these officials are reported to have decided, but they still attach conditions to Britain's joining the pool.

The experts from various government ministries, working under the government's chief planning officer, Sir Edwin Plowden, have had their heads together ever since the plan of French Foreign Minister Robert Schuman was published May 9.

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Areas Organize To Work Toward Water District

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About 30 persons attended the meeting at the Salem Heights school in the first step of a plan to get water for the West Browning and East Browning avenue areas south of Salem.

Elected chairman of the West Browning group was Archie McKillop. Lou Kurth and Ed Brown were named committeemen. Don Gardner was elected chairman of the East Browning group with R. S. Neuman and W. E. Sylvester, committeemen.

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IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

In a debate over legislative re-appointment at the Oregon state grange convention last week Rep. Giles French, speaking in behalf of the so-called balanced plan, praised it as preserving the voting power of rural people "who are smarter, wiser and better able to govern the state" than city people. For parallel one may go back to the federalists who wanted control of government to rest with "the rich, the wise and the good."

This idea of the superiority of rural people over city folk is not new. French was reiterating old, old claims even though he was also revealing old, old prejudices. Antagonism between town and country is of ancient origin, and contest between the two for political power is just one manifestation of that hostility.

In England the landed gentry retained long both the social prestige and the political power in the kingdom. They looked on the emerging tradesmen and manufacturers with a measure of contempt, and gave no concern at all to the working classes. The gentry retained their power through restricted suffrage and continuance of a pocket borough system. For example some small places which had been organized as boroughs early in English history, elected two members to the house of commons while great industrial cities like Manchester and Birmingham

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Keizer School Board Elected

Statesman News Service
KEIZER, June 19—Ralph Sipprell, Fred C. Gast and S. E. Orcutt all won posts on the Keizer school board as a result of a school election here today. Herman Rehfs was elected Marion county rural director and Ernest Werner, non-high school director.

Final counts for each of the candidates were Sipprell for five-year directorship, 289; Gast and Orcutt for three and four-year directorships, 262 and 323 respectively. Rehfs' total was 371 and Werner's 319. There were several write-in candidates.

ELEANOR VISITS ROYALTY

AMSTERDAM, The Netherlands, June 19-(AP)—Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt was received tonight by Queen Juliana and Prince Bernhard at Soestdijk royal palace where she will be a guest during a three-day visit to The Netherlands.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"I gotta get me some sleep—I keep slidin' out of that thing!"

1000-Year-Old Treasure Said Ransom Price

VIENNA, Austria, Tuesday June 20-(AP)—Hungary is demanding the ancient crown of St. Stefan as ransom for Robert A. Vogeler, imprisoned American business man, it was learned here today.

Reliable sources said the communist-controlled Hungarian government has offered to swap Vogeler in an even trade for the symbol of Magyar royalty. The crown is nearly 1,000 years old.

The negotiations were said to have reached a point where Vogeler's release from prison may be effected within a few weeks.

The famous crown was taken from Hungary by the Nazis during the war and later was found by American troops in Germany. It is believed now to be somewhere in Western Germany, probably Weissenau.

No Other Demand
The informants said no other demand had been made by the Hungarians in conversations which began immediately after Vogeler's arrest in Budapest last November on charges of espionage and sabotage.

The crown dates back to King Stefan I of Hungary, who was born in 975 and died in 1038 A.D.

The United States has consistently refused to give the crown to Hungary's present communist government, despite repeated demands for it.

Blocked by Vatican
It has been reported that the Vatican was at least partly responsible for the refusal by the Americans to return it to Hungary.

Western diplomatic sources said the Hungarian people would forgive the government almost anything if their communist leaders could effect the return of the priceless art treasure.

American sources here are reluctant to discuss the negotiations for Vogeler's release. It has been learned that no demands have been made for lifting the U. S. ban on American travel in Hungary, imposed by the state department last December. Neither did reopening of Hungarian consulates in New York and Cleveland figure in the Budapest demands, the informants added.

Bread Shelves Nearly Bare in Struck Cities

By The Associated Press
Striking AFL bakers and operators in the Seattle area and Portland remained deadlocked last night after failing to reach agreement in conciliation sessions. The strike headed into its third day.

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