

# Fire Whips over 1,000 Acres Near Albany

## Proposal Requires Off-Street Parking At All New Houses

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Legislation was proposed by Salem city aldermen Monday night to require off-street parking for every new house or apartment unit. Street parking also took the council spotlight during the city hall meeting in which a state board of control request for parking limits in the capitol area got a cool reception from the aldermen.



By Charles A. Stryker

Dr. John A. Mackay, president of Princeton Theological Seminary, who occupied the pulpit at the First Presbyterian church Sunday, is not only one of the country's most eminent theologians, he is also a great Christian statesman. He participated in the organization of the World Council of Churches. He has done Christian work in foreign lands. His acquaintance goes round the world.

Just a few months ago Dr. Mackay returned from travels which took him to the Orient. There he had interviews with General MacArthur, with the emperor of Japan, with Kagawa; also with President Rhee of Korea (that was before the invasion). At Hong Kong he discussed Chinese affairs with missionaries who came from that country for a conference. I had the privilege of visiting with Dr. Mackay and getting his report on the situation in the far east.

The missionaries in China told Dr. Mackay that they are being permitted by the new regime to carry on their work, their hospitals, schools, seminaries, though of course they cannot teach any antagonism to the new government. They said that communism triumphed out of the despair and exhaustion of the people who were worn out by years of internal strife and war with Japan. Chiang Kai-shek's government kept postponing the reforms the people demanded. So when the communists came with promises the nationalist cause just collapsed.

Communist troops as they invaded the south were under strict discipline. In Manchuria they had been ruthless. There they posted pictures of General Mao Tse-tung, their leader, and of Lenin and Stalin. When they came south the pictures were of Mao and Sun Yat-sen, the founder of the Chinese republic. There was no billeting of soldiers without assents of owners of (Continued on editorial page, 4.)

## Eight Escape In B-29 Crash

FORT WORTH, Aug. 14-(AP)—A crippled B-29 bomber crashed and burned in a field five miles north of Carswell air force base today, killing four crewmen. Eight crewmen got away with minor injuries as the four-engine bomber narrowly missed a cluster of houses, struck the field and slithered almost half a mile. They tumbled from the Superfortress as it plowed crazily along the ground. Three charred bodies were removed from the nose section of the plane and one from the center section. The bomber was from Barksdale air force base, near Shreveport, La. It apparently was trying to land at Carswell.

## Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



## Whirling Wind Aid To Blaze

ALBANY, Aug. 14-(P)—A fire whipped by whirlwinds swept over a thousand acres of grass, grain fields and farm woodlots seven miles south of here today in the Oakville district before being controlled.

Fifteen hundred pounds of range grass seed on the Glenn Ohling farm, a quantity of baled hay, ties owned by the Oregon Electric railroad line, which it crossed, and an abandoned chicken house were destroyed. No other buildings were burned, but the Western Star grange hall was menaced for a time. The rye grass seed damage was estimated at \$15,000 and \$18,000 by farmer reports.

The blaze was started, possibly by a grain combine thresher, about 10 a. m. Five trucks of the Albany rural fire department, stationed at Albany and Tangent, were put into the fight. Poles of the Bonneville power administration line were ignited but not destroyed.

Firemen believed they had gained control of the fire shortly after noon, but a series of whirlwinds sent the flames out of bounds again. It was controlled shortly after 3 p. m.

Don Hayne, Albany fire chief called the blaze the worst of its kind ever to occur in the Albany fire district.

About 50 firefighters from Albany and Tangent and surrounding farms were fighting the blaze at its peak. Fence posts and trees were still smoldering late tonight and required watching. Firemen were not certain exactly where the blaze broke out. It extended into parts of about five farms.

Both these bills were referred to the planning and zoning committee for recommendations, although Alderman Fry declared that the restrictions are in the zoning code revision now being prepared by the commission.

Mayor R. L. Elfstrom expressed the view that the off-street parking requirement should cover something less than 100 per cent of the number of units in each multiple dwelling building affected.

The state's request for parking was referred to City Manager J. Franzen. He was given instructions to inform the board of control that the city expects from it in the near future a comprehensive plan for state employees' parking, for referral to the 1951 legislature.

## Asks Parking Limitation

The state is asking one-hour parking at the supreme court and state office buildings and along Court and Chemeketa streets near the capitol.

Alderman Daniel J. Fry said granting this request "would only place the same problem a few blocks farther out." He asserted that the parking limits to prohibit all-day parking by state employees would place their cars into the residential areas to the east.

Alderman Albert H. Gille said he felt this inconvenience to state employees would speed up state planning for employ parking.

(Additional council news, page 2.)

## Jefferson Area Rejects School Consolidation

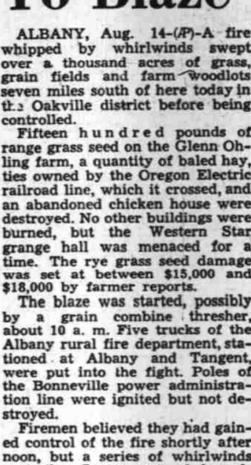
JEFFERSON, Aug. 14-(Special) Voters of Sidney, Devaney and Talbot districts voted down a proposal to consolidate with Jefferson school district in an election here today.

And following the tabulation of votes, the Jefferson school board went on record as opposed to acceptance of tuition students from the districts after the 1950-51 school year.

The vote in the four districts was: Sidney 30 no, 5 yes; Devaney 29 no, 16 yes; Talbot, 24 no, 12 yes; Jefferson, 56 yes, 2 no.

About 50 students from the districts surrounding Jefferson would be effected if the district's decision to bar tuition students stands. Members of the board said they would meet in the near future to complete plans for providing classrooms to alleviate the crowded conditions. The board stated that it feels that it is unfair to patrons of the local district to ask them to finance a building program for the accommodation of tuition students.

## Sharp Competition Marks Timber Auction



Lively bids and sharp competition marked auctioning of an estimated 20 million board feet of federal timber at the bureau of land management office in the old high school building Monday. All types of timber, standing and wind-thrown, were offered for sale in four Oregon counties with an estimated value of more than \$255,000 to bidders seated with backs to camera. In the background shown marking bids on a blackboard is District Forester A. F. Collins who conducted the sale. Seated to left of Collins is Rodney Fety, assistant district forester. (Statesman photo.) (Story on page 2.)

## Pope to Make Ascension Of Mary Catholic Dogma

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## Gas Generating Army Unit Gets Call from Oregon

PORTLAND, Aug. 14-(AP)—Oregon's first organized army unit—the 395th engineer gas generating detachment—got orders for active duty today.

It is a 'sponsored' unit, organized with employees of the Portland Gas company. Such companies were used to lay down smoke screens for troop cover during World War II. Capt. Charles E. McMurdo, commanding officer, said the group was ordered to be ready to move to a training station between September 11 and 20.

## Portland to Vote on Rent Control Issue

PORTLAND, Aug. 14-(AP)—City council voted today to refer to the city voters the question of decontrol of rental property in the city.

The voted came after a final hearing on the Oregon Apartment House association's bid for decontrol.

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## Illness Fatal

Thomas A. Windishar, for many years active in civic affairs in Salem, died Monday after a week's illness.

## T. A. Windishar Succumbs to Heart Ailment

Thomas Anthony Windishar, 54, operator of the Capital City Laundry and active in Salem civic affairs for many years, died Monday of a heart ailment at a Salem hospital where he had been confined for the past week.

Windishar began operations of the laundry in Salem in 1925 after being engaged in that business for several years.

## Dunne Files For Governor As Independent

Certificate of nomination for Joe E. Dunne, Portland, independent candidate for governor at the November election, was filed in the state elections bureau Monday as filing deadline passed.

Dunne was nominated at a convention of 250 voters in Portland July 31. The certificate was signed by Herman C. Menasco, chairman of the convention, and Nina Ruth Eppler, secretary.

The independent nominee will oppose Gov. Douglas McKay, republican incumbent, and State Senator Austin Flegel, democrat.

Dunne said he expected to issue a formal statement within the next week or 10 days in which he would outline his platform.

At the time of the convention Dunne emphasized he was not satisfied with the records of McKay or Flegel on old age assistance.

## Group to Ask Courthouse Project Stalled

A request for a two-year delay on construction of the new Marion county courthouse may receive the attention of the county court at its morning session today.

The request, from the Marion County Historical society, reads "BE it enacted that the present purpose of the Marion county courthouse be continued for two years and that construction of the proposed courthouse be deferred, that material and labor may be saved to fight the communistic threat to democracy."

Submitting the request will be David Dunlavy, president of the Historical society, Renska Swart, Paul R. Hendricks and Murray Wade, members of the society's committee on historical preservation. The group has been active in attempts to prevent destruction of the old courthouse.

## Tank Blazes at Tractor Firm

A tank of acetylene mysteriously caught fire late Monday night and sent city fire trucks to the Interstate Tractor company on Silverton road.

The blaze, in the company's maintenance shop, was discovered by Robert Ebersole a few minutes before midnight. Ebersole, who was asleep in the apartment on the second floor of the building, said he was awakened by the sound of the fire. He attempted to check the blaze with a fire extinguisher and then turned in the alarm.

Ebersole and firemen who pulled the tank from the building where it burned itself out, were at a loss to explain how the fire started.

Interior of the building was filled with smoke, but the only apparent damage was scorching of some paint from a tractor parked near the burning tank.

## White House Talks to Stave Off Rail Crisis

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14-(AP) Union officials threatening a possible nationwide railroad strike of trainmen and conductors said tonight they had reluctantly agreed to continue White House peace conferences.

President W. P. Kennedy of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and President R. O. Hughes of the Order of Railway Conductors said they will meet again tomorrow with John R. Steelman, assistant to President Truman, at 1 p. m., Eastern standard time.

The two union leaders had gone to the White House tonight intending to ask President Truman again to seize the railroads to prevent a strike.

Kennedy said however that they resumed talks with Steelman and did not see Mr. Truman, or formally ask for seizure. The unions had requested seizure on Aug. 4. Kennedy said that if the talks with Steelman become bogged down, the unions then will again ask seizure.

## Halvorson to Build Sewage Disposal Plant

The city of Salem Monday said \$1,630,000 worth of bonds to First Boston Corp. of San Francisco and let a \$404,378 contract for sewage disposal plant construction to Carl Halvorson, Salem contractor.

The bonds went to the low-interest bidder at an effective rate of 1.822 per cent—a rate described by veteran aldermen as one of the most favorable ever received by the city. The total interest will cost the city \$100,747 over 20 years.

Bonds were approved by voters recently to finance sewage, bridge, drainage and water improvements. Other bond bids ranging up to an effective interest rate of 1.807 per cent were received from 1st National Bank of Portland, Ist National of Chicago, Blyth & Co., Halsey, Stuart & Co., Foster & Marshall.

The Halvorson bid was low among three, with L. H. Hoffman of Portland bidding \$423,825 and Minimis & Stulling, Eugene, \$433,199. City Manager J. L. Franzen said the low bid was well in line with city estimates. Massive equipment for the plant is subject of several separate biddings.

In other contract matters the city council at its Monday night meeting accepted bid of \$1.54 per foot for 1,000 feet of fire hose from Munnell & Sherrill, Portland; of \$126 per hydrant for 28 hydrants from Renssler Corey Co., Troy, N. Y.; \$6,599 for a power grader from Interstate Tractor and Equipment Co.

## Body Believed Seen on Peak

LONE PINE, Calif., Aug. 14-(AP) A veteran mountaineer late today reported sighting what may be the body of missing topographer Christopher Reynolds only 300 feet from the top of Mount Whitney.

Harold Gates, the man who first spotted the body of Reynolds' companion, Steven Wasserman, said his powerful binoculars picked out what appeared to be a faded shirt, lying in snow close to the summit ridge of the nation's largest peak, 14,494 feet high.

But night closed in before the skilled mountain search party swaying from nylon ropes against Whitney's treacherous east face, could press higher. (Picture and story also on page 11.)

## BASEBALL

Western International  
Victory Vantage  
Only game scheduled.

TOKYO, Tuesday, Aug. 15-(AP)—The North Korean commander-in-chief called on his massed Red armies today to drive United Nations forces "from Korea by the end of August."

His order of the day, perhaps signalling the start of the long-expected communist all-out offensive, came as bloody battles flared in the curves of the Naktong river for control of the vital western front. In routing the order, North Korea Premier and commander-in-chief Kim Il Sung recognized time was running out for the Reds. He ordered prompt annihilation of United Nations' armies and added:

"The longer this is delayed, the stronger will become the United States and South Korean defenses." Field dispatches reported two battalions of Reds, numbering more than 1,000 men, poured across the Naktong Tuesday morning about 14 miles southwest of Taegu, key American communications base.

The crossing, in the Taksong bend, is on the southern flank of the central front where the Reds have massed 60,000 men for an all-out drive on the river barrier protecting Taegu.

The crossing threatened the northern flank of the U.S. 24th division, engaged in a major counterattack against the North Korean 4th division in the Changnyong bulge to the south. Changnyong is 23 air miles southwest of Taegu.

The 24th beat off a series of tank-led counterattacks during the night, then resumed its push this morning. But at 10 a. m. (5 p. m. Monday, PDT), the briefing officer said, it was "proceeding slowly."

The Americans have advanced roughly a mile along the front, squeezing the enemy into a narrowing foothold on the river's east bank.

The big red push in the Waegwan sector so far had failed to develop as expected Tuesday on the fifth anniversary of Korea's liberation from Japanese rule and the second anniversary of the south Korean republic.

But probings in force continued and a new red offensive appeared to be building up in the extreme south.

MacArthur's intelligence spokesman said American air power apparently was keeping the north Koreans from assembling the necessary armor for the big push.

The picture around the front, reading from south to north then east, shaped up like this:

Chinju sector—Americans consolidated their positions on high ground about four miles east of Chinju.

Changnyong Sector—The U. S. 24th division moved forward Tuesday in a major counterattack after beating down tank-led red counter assaults during the night.

Taksong Sector—First cavalry division and allied units, plus a new crossing by more than 1,000 reds Tuesday. American headquarters said a similar number were killed Monday.

Taejon Sector—Various armored units, including two tank regiments, were spotted among six divisions massed for a major assault through Waegwan toward Taeju, 12 air miles to the southeast.

Opyong Sector—A tank-supported communist regiment attacked the south Korean First division Monday night five miles north of Waegwan. MacArthur's summary reported the South Koreans were "containing" this attack.

Northern Front—South Korean Sixth and Eighth divisions withdrew "to prepared positions" and established contact with each other.

Eastern Front—Unidentified U. S. troops pushed to within half a mile west of Pohang, communist-held port and former American base. South Korean forces drove on the city from the south. American troops held abandoned Pohang air base. The South Korean capital division, driving from the northwest of Pohang, lost 17 miles and not previously been reported.

Sea—A U. S. cruiser shelled the North Korean east coast in a raiding expedition that carried to within 100 miles of Soviet Russian territory. It was probably the northernmost strike of American warships.

Air—Two American planes were lost as allies' aircraft flew more than 400 sorties Monday. "Numerous casualties" were inflicted on the enemy and eight red tanks were reported destroyed in heavy ground support strikes.

Facing Waegwan the reds have built up the greatest concentration of their total estimated 150,000 troops in South Korea.

And in that sector, United Nations defending force, have kept Naktong crossings to a minimum. General MacArthur's early morning headquarters summary said, however, that the enemy was believed to have thrown a second underwater bridge across the Naktong on the Waegwan front.

Such bridges are made of logs chained together and weighted with stones so they lie just below the surface. Men and armor can cross them, but they are difficult to spot when not in use. The idea was developed by the Russians in World war II.

COLLEGE JANITORS STRIKE  
BERKELEY, Calif., Aug. 14-(AP)—A strike of janitors and other custodial employees at the University of California today halted work on the school's multi-million dollar building program.

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
At Cleveland 3, Detroit 1 (10 inn.)  
Only game scheduled.