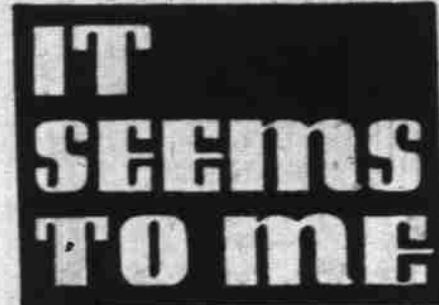


Allies Punch Hard at Red Buildup Near Parley Site; Sixth Peace Session Held

SEOUL, Korea, Wednesday, July 18—(AP)—Allied and red cease-fire negotiators met today for their sixth session in Kaesong while United Nations forces kept a wary eye on a communist troop buildup northeast of the conference site.



By Charles F. Srouge

"It was on the Lupercal I thrice presented him a kingly crown And thrice did he refuse . . . Ambition should be made of sterner stuff."

So spoke Marc Antony in Shakespeare's version of his funeral address for Julius Caesar. General Eisenhower is somewhat in parallel—though not as to the funeral. A military man whose armies got across the Rhine, as did Caesar's, he has been turning down "offers" of the presidency for years. The inference held by Brutus and Cassius was that if Marc had made another offer Caesar would have grabbed the crown and put it on his head. Now the talk is going round that General Ike will yield to pressures and accept the nomination for president. At least that is what some republicans are saying, and in Oregon Sen. Tom Mahoney has said he would circulate petitions to enter Eisenhower in the democratic primaries in this state.

The general really is in a tight corner. He has a job, one that he is fitted for, one that he likes, the job of mobilizing countries under the Atlantic pact for self-defense. He has another job to be sure from which he has taken temporary leave, that of president of Columbia University. He liked that too, and thus far has dodged all political bouquets thrown his way, including that of Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

But Ike is a good American and conceivably might yield to appeals or to pressures if he could be convinced that it was his "duty" to stand as a candidate for the presidency. But that is only part of the story.

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Bids Sought On 3 Projects At Fairview

Bid calls on three building projects at Fairview home, including remodeling of the fire-gutted hospital into a classroom structure, were ordered Tuesday by the state board of control.

The basement and three floors of the old hospital will be completely remodeled to furnish classroom and teachers' rooms space at the home. The project, with William I. Williams as architect, is expected to cost \$112,000. At the same time the board called for bids for two doctors' residences at the home, each to cost \$16,000.

Architects were authorized to proceed with plans on two projects at Eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton. They are a \$30,000 dairy barn and a \$20,000 addition to the laundry. The board also approved spending \$47,850 to remodel the old dairy building at Oregon State college.

A contract for installing a screen to the capitol group's sprinkling system was awarded to W. R. Ransom and Sons, Salem. The project, to eliminate dirt from the automatic system, will cost \$1,936. Water is piped from Mill creek near the state penitentiary.

Animal Crackers By WARREN GOODRICH



and they lived happily EVER after—for a full 2 days.

Big Gun Now in Salem for Guard Training



First comes the cleaning and then the use of this 90 mm. anti-aircraft gun by members of battery D, 722nd AAA battalion of the national guard in Salem. Starting in with the brushes are Sgt. 1st cl. Robert Berg (left) and Sgt. 1st cl. Robert Dreyer, at the 25th and Lee street training center. The big gun, first to be received here for training, hurls a shell nearly four miles. (Statesman photo.)

Bids on Detroit, Big Cliff Dams Top Estimates

PORTLAND, July 17—(AP)—A low bid of \$7,397,547 was submitted today for construction of Big Cliff dam, a unit of the Detroit project on the North Santiam river, and for completion of the Detroit dam power house.

The Portland district corps of engineers said, however, the bid from Consolidated Builders, Mill City, exceeded by \$119,500.63 the allowed 25 per cent above the government estimate. Government estimate for the job was \$5,822,197.10.

The project includes construction of a concrete gravity dam and power house complete with penstock, track racks, stilling basin and other appurtenances.

The other only bid of \$8,912,855 came from Guy F. Atkinson Co. and Ostrander Construction Co. They also submitted a bid of \$6,541,996 for the Big Cliff dam only. Government estimate for the dam alone was \$4,430,943.

Bids were taken under advisement. Consolidated builders holds the contract for building Detroit dam.

Forest Fire Hazard Eases

By The Associated Press

Improved weather conditions further relieved the forest fire hazard in Oregon woods today and the weather bureau forecast possible showers in the Willamette valley by week's end.

The only fire still causing concern last night was one east of Coos Bay which had spread to some 1200 acres.

State Forester Dwight Phipps reported the blaze which had burned some valuable timber, was trailed on three sides and it was expected to be completely surrounded last night.

A small but potentially dangerous blaze flared up at 4 p.m. yesterday a mile west of Cascade Rocks. A tree snapped the main Bonneville power line into the city and set a wooded area ablaze. Crews worked on the blaze throughout the night as strong winds pushed it toward a stand of timber.

Boy Puts Out Forest Blaze

A 13-year-old Detroit boy is credited by the forest service with the discovery and extinguishing of a potentially dangerous forest fire near the North Santiam river Sunday.

The boy, John Wallace, has been awarded a "Service Under Fire" award for his actions by the Keep Oregon Green association.

District Ranger S. T. Moore of Detroit said young Wallace discovered the small forest fire near reservoir clearing operations, extinguished the blaze and then reported it to the forest service.

LEBANON RIOTS CALMED

BEIRUT, Lebanon, July 17—(AP)—Order was restored today after rioting killed one man and wounded nine in demonstrations over the assassination of Lebanon's ex-premier Riad El Solh in Amman, Jordan.

Expansion of City Mail Delivery To Rural Salem Areas Planned

Scores of houses in the Salem rural delivery zone soon will get city delivery of their mail from the Salem postoffice.

House Stamps Approval On Beef Price Rollback

X-Ray Survey to Commence Today

Opening of the Willamette valley chest X-ray survey will take place today in Marion and Polk counties as the program begins its drive to secure X-rays from a potential 390,223 adults in an eight-county area.

Three mobile units will be in operation today in Salem and one in Idanha. Units will be at 13 locations in Polk county today and tomorrow.

Purpose of the free x-rays is to detect tuberculosis and chest ailments.

The x-ray survey was brought to this area through the planning and coordination of health departments, medical societies and tuberculosis associations in each of the eight valley counties. Acceptance of the plan followed wide publicity and public mass meetings in each county, officials said.

150 Technicians

Dr. Bertrand Bennisson, medical officer in charge of the \$500,000 worth of U. S. public health service equipment and the 150 technicians involved in the survey, said this was one of the largest programs undertaken by the team.

"We have conducted surveys in more populated areas than the Willamette valley," said Dr. Bennisson, "but never one involving so much territory. This is the 16th survey conducted in the past four years by this team."

The survey in Marion county will continue until about August 21 and for about the next two weeks in Polk county. All of the Salem units operating today, Thursday and Friday are for state and industrial employees only.

Open to the general public are the units at the Idanha and Baldwin's in Detroit. Survey officials said the units will be shifted around frequently to reach as many men and women as possible.

The four Marion county units today will be at State and Waverly streets, Court and Waverly streets, Front and D streets in Salem, and at the IGA store in Idanha. One Polk county unit will be at Saverly's Drug store in Dallas. (Additional details and complete list of schedules including Polk county on page 5.)

Adm. Sherman Asks Franco For Terms

MADRID, July 17—(AP)—U. S. Admiral Forrest P. Sherman has asked Generalissimo Franco what he would want in return for United States use of Spanish air and naval bases, reliable informants reported today.

The sources said the American chief of naval operations asked Franco at their two-hour meeting yesterday for the right to use four naval bases and three to five air bases.

Earlier, Senator O'Connor (D-Md.) introduced a resolution to bar all foreign communist newsmen—including Russia's—from the United States.

Death Takes Korea Holiday

WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—The army said that no U. S. soldier was killed in action in Korea yesterday, the first day without a combat death since the first American was killed July 1, 1950.

The army report covered the 24-hour period ending at 5 p.m. July 17, Korean time and covered the entire day in Korea. The report said that a small number of soldiers were wounded yesterday.

In the first year of hostilities U. S. deaths by direct enemy action averaged more than 30 daily.

Actress Lucille Ball Mother of Daughter

LOS ANGELES, July 17—(AP)—Actress Lucille Ball gave birth to a baby daughter today by Caesarean section.

The child is the first for Miss Ball and her husband, orchestra leader Desi Arnaz. Named Lucie Desiree, it weighed seven pounds, six ounces.

CAB Takes Salem's Air Line Decision Under Advisement

WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—The civil aeronautics board took under advisement today a proposal that Salem, Ore., be served by West Coast airlines instead of the present United Air Lines.

At a hearing in connection with renewal of West Coast's operating permit, Robert Letts Jones of Salem declared that shippers would suffer if UAL service was dropped in favor of West Coast.

Jones, Salem publisher representing the Salem Chamber of Commerce, said Salem required "one-plane service" to handle perishable products shipped from the area to avoid delays which would result from transfers necessary if shipped by West Coast.

Jack Lorch, UAL counsel, told the board that Salem is an important stop on the line's San Francisco-Portland flight. He said it is one which "generates substantial traffic."

Spare Tire Back On New Autos

WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—The spare tire is back on new autos.

The national production authority dropped its three-month, rubber-saving ban on spares, effective today. It said a recent one-fifth cutback ordered in current automobile output does away with the need for the ban.

Administration Rams Through Compromise

By Roger D. Greene

WASHINGTON, July 17—(AP)—The house today voted to sustain the present rollback on live beef prices and to permit a 10 per cent cut in the price of all other farm products selling above parity.

The vote was 207 to 123. In a sudden surge of strength, administration forces rammed through a compromise to that effect and also beat down three major attempts to curb price rollbacks in the bitter house fight over controls.

The compromise is still subject to a final vote when the controls bill is completed.

After the four major votes, the house went on to reject an administration request for authority to license businesses. The vote was 127 to 27.

The chamber next turned down an amendment by Rep. Talle (R-Iowa) to give the secretary of agriculture a veto over ceiling prices imposed on farm prices by the office of price stabilization. The count was 87 to 61.

The big vote on price rollbacks came as a dramatic last-ditch victory for administration forces who had been severely buffeted in preliminary tests before the show-down today.

The compromise bars the carrying out of two further beef price rollbacks of 4 1/2 per cent each which had been ordered to go into effect on August 1 and October 1.

Price Director DiSalle told a reporter he was "very happy and encouraged" over the house action retaining important provisions of the administration's economic controls plan.

Will "Hold the Line"

He said letting the 10 per cent beef rollback stand will "permit us to hold the line on beef prices . . . beef prices will not rise."

Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston applauded the house action as "good news for the consumer."

Besides adopting the administration compromise, the house in rapid-fire order:

1. Defeated a republican-sponsored compromise to continue the 10 per cent beef rollback but prohibit all further rollbacks, farm and industrial alike. The vote was 129 to 65.

2. Rejected an amendment by Rep. Cox (D-Ga.) to outlaw all price rollbacks. The vote: 147 to 89.

3. Turned down a proposal by Rep. Cooley (D-NC)—backed by farm state members—to wipe out the 10 per cent cut in live beef prices and ban all further rollbacks on farm commodities. The vote was 217 to 124.

Woodburn's Mayor Resigns

WOODBURN, July 17—(AP)—Elmer H. Mattson, who began his third term as Woodburn mayor nine months ago, tendered his resignation today at a meeting of the council here tonight. Mattson said he was making the step on advice of his physician.

Pending action by the council on a replacement, Jess Fikan, council president, will serve as acting mayor. The resignation was tabled until the next meeting, August 7.

In other action the council killed an ordinance which would have eliminated parking on Grant street from the alley to Front street and approved an ordinance to improve a portion of High street.

Salem Boy Hurt Fighting Forest Fire at Coos Bay

A Salem boy was injured while helping fight the 900-acre forest fire east of Coos Bay Monday, his family learned yesterday.

He is Gordon Morris, 16, who telephoned parents Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Morris, 445 N. 24th st., to say he was in a Roseburg hospital with severe leg bruises. A log had struck him while he was on the fire line.

Morris is one of several Salem high school boys spending the summer working at the Camas valley state fire camp between Roseburg and the coast. Among the others are Larry Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Andrews, 895 N. Capitol st., and Del Dixon, son of Mrs. P. W. Church, 3257 Beacon ave.

THE WEATHER

Station	Max.	Min.	Forecast
Salem	75	52	bc
Portland	74	50	bc
San Francisco	74	48	bc
Chicago	78	62	bc
New York	80	72	bc

Willamette River—3.5 feet. FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, Hockley Field, Salem): Clear today and tonight except for some morning clouds. High today near 80; low tonight near 52.

SALEM PRECIPITATION Since Start of Weather Year, Sept. 1 This Year Last Year 43.94 43.99 37.27