



While workmen hurry to finish Baker school, 76 children from the Fairmount district attended their first classes in the new building Monday. Above, a few first graders watch Mrs. Georgia Snodgrass turn a picture scroll as Leo Turner, Salem route 3, paints the trim outside window at right. Although classes are now underway in the latest addition to the Salem school system, much work remains to be done to the building itself. (Statesman photo). (Story on page 2).

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sorensen

Premier Yoshida is back in Japan, and other delegates to the San Francisco conference are home again or on the way. Reporters have told the story of the sessions and many have expressed their opinion on the consequences of the conference. To be effective, the treaty must be ratified by 15 of the signatory powers. As far as the United States is concerned that seems probable, although a few extremists like Senator Malone of Nevada have denounced it. Two questions arise: First, what will Russia do? Second, what is the future for Japan? In the flush of success at San Francisco numerous expressions were heard that Russia suffered its greatest postwar diplomatic defeat. Gromyko fumbled, failed to make the most of some of his early opportunities, for instance, on the question of adoption of rules. The effect will be to reduce the prestige of Russia around the world. Russia was repulsed, to be sure; but its appearance at San Francisco seemed to be more of a token gesture, a desire to be on the record, particularly to preserve its standing with red China. Moscow can say to Peking, "We tried, but the imperialists wouldn't let you in." It was plain from the news of the careful preparations made by the state department (Continued on editorial page, 4)

Crash Rolls Truck Wheels Through Silverton Window

SILVERTON, Sept. 17 - Two spare wheels from an upended truck crashed through a window of the Dennis Ray Hannan home at 817 Oak st., bringing a shower of plaster and broken glass Monday night.

The mishap occurred when the brakes on a truck, pulling a second one, failed on the Oak street hill, forcing the driver, Shelton H. Duff, of Portland, to head the runaway into a bank. The two wheels, spinning off one upended truck, rolled across the highway into the Hannan home. Some 75 gallons of gasoline also spilled out of the two trucks, bringing the Silverton fire department which sprayed the area with foam. No one was injured.

COMPTON APPOINTED WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - The state department today appointed Dr. Wilson M. Compton, retiring president of Washington State college, to be staff director of the United States advisory commission on information.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Oh, yeah? Look me in the eye and say that!"

Services to Launch Atom War Training

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - Approximately 5,000 army, navy and air force men will conduct atomic warfare training in connection with forthcoming tests of nuclear weapons at Frenchmen's Flats, Nevada.

The army announced today that a battalion combat team with supporting service troops will be drawn from the six continental armies in the United States. "Within the safety and security requirements of the test program," the announcement said, "units in 'Exercise Desert Rock' will have the opportunity to test the principles of organization and training applicable to military operations under conditions involved in atomic warfare.

"The troop units involved will establish a battle position for a battalion combat team, including entrenchments, barbed wire and emplacements.

"Prior to the detonations the troops will withdraw to pre-determined positions of safety.

"This military phase is a training exercise which is separate from the scientific developmental work at the Atomic Energy Commission test site."

The Atomic Energy Commission announced August 28 that a new set of atomic explosions would be set off in the near future at the Nevada proving ground. No date was announced.

Commanding the atomic test exercise of troops will be Maj. Gen. William B. Kean, former commander of the 25th infantry division in Japan and Korea and now commander of the Third corps at Camp Roberts, Calif.

The announcement said the army is carrying out the exercise "to take advantage of the opportunity afforded by these activities (the atomic weapons tests) to indoctrinate uniformed personnel of the three services in the military aspects of nuclear detonations."

Oil Plant Blast Kills 4 Men

WOOD RIVER, Ill., Sept. 17 - (AP) - Four workmen were killed and at least 32 others were injured tonight in a terrific explosion and fire that rocked the Shell-Oil company's huge refinery at nearby Roxana.

Three bodies, all badly burned, were pulled from flames soon after the explosion. A fourth was pulled from the charred debris by rescue workers an hour later.

The explosion occurred in a part of the plant where high test gasoline is processed. A company workman said it was possible that some of the oil, which reaches an extremely high temperature in the cracking process, had not drained and when the cleaning crew dropped the bottom head of the unit the hot oil escaped, exploding as it came into contact with the air.

Jet Plane Crash Sets Carrier Essex Afire

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - A jet plane crash and a resulting "serious fire" on the Carrier Essex yesterday (Monday, Korean time) killed two men, left five unaccounted for and injured 15, the navy announced tonight. The Essex was in operation off Korea. The navy announcement continued:

"A twin jet Banshee (one of the newest operational fighters used by the navy) coming in for a landing on the carrier deck, failed to hook the arresting gear properly, bounced over all deck barriers and crashed into other jet aircraft parked on the fore part of the flight deck. The resulting fire destroyed four jet fighters and extensively damaged four others. "There was no major damage to the ship."

Warden Lists New Policies

Public protection first, rehabilitation of prisoners second was the policy set down by Virgil J. O'Malley who took over Monday as warden of the Oregon state penitentiary.

O'Malley, formerly associate warden of California state prison, moved in to his new post succeeding George Alexander who became superintendent of the penitentiary.

The wardenship will include full custody of prisoners whom he plans to treat on an individual basis rather than by groups. A prisoner with a grievance should bring it to the warden directly and not through a grievance committee, O'Malley said.

Warden O'Malley said pointedly that there was still a place for convict committees to function. Recreation committees within the prison serve a very useful purpose, but there is no place for a group such as the "committee of six" blamed for much of recent prison agitation, O'Malley said.

No Mass Interviews The warden emphasized that he, and not the prisoners, would operate the prison. "I am not in sympathy with mass interviews of prisoners," he said.

O'Malley spent most of the day conferring with state and prison officials including his Deputy Warden Eugene Halley. He said many policies he has in mind cannot be outlined until he has become familiar with the institution, the Oregon laws relating to the conduct of the prison, and other factors.

"From now on, the convicts will know what the prison rules are," O'Malley said. "The penitentiary is a public institution and is operated at public expense for the purpose of protecting the public. This may be accomplished first, by safely keeping the inmates during their prescribed periods of incarceration, and secondly, by bringing about reformation whenever possible."

Vocational Training O'Malley said he particularly was interested in setting up an extensive program of vocation, academic and moral training under a so-called classification system. Under the classification system, the background of every convict would be studied when he enters the institution.

"Such a study," O'Malley said, "would provide the prison authorities with information as to what methods would be best in individual cases."

The classification group probably would be composed of the warden, prison physician, chaplain, psychiatrist and others interested in prison problems. "From the day a man enters the prison we will start working toward his parole," O'Malley said.

To Control Privileges O'Malley said it was obvious that some prisoners would require continual custodial attention while others would not. He made it plain that confinement in isolation cells would be the maximum punishment. He prefers instead, he said, punishment by taking away institutional privileges. He said he would grant as many privileges to prisoners as possible and it would then be up to them to retain the privileges by good conduct.

"All citizens have a right and a duty to know how the institution is being conducted. It shall be the policy of the warden to make known to the public through the press, the radio and through contact with citizens' groups and individuals, relevant facts pertaining to the operation of the penitentiary," O'Malley said.

From Warden's Office "Statements of general institutional policy and spot news having to do with such matters of public interest as escapes and crimes committed on the premises shall be issued only through the office of the warden." "This restriction," O'Malley said, "is not made with an intent to conceal, or color any information but rather to insure the accuracy of news concerning the penitentiary."

Warden and Mrs. O'Malley and their two children arrived in Salem late Sunday night from their former home at Soledad, Calif. The family will live in a cottage at the Oregon state hospital temporarily, until the warden's home at the prison is vacated. The children, Patricia, 14, was enrolled Monday at Salem high school where she is a sophomore, and Terrance, 8, will attend Richmond school where he is in the third grade.

BASEBALL

Case Playoff At Hollywood 6, Seattle 3 American League At New York 2, Cleveland 1 At Boston 12, Chicago 5 Only games scheduled. National League At Chicago 3, Brooklyn 3 At St. Louis 1, Philadelphia 3 (10 games) Only games scheduled.

Salem Woman 'Pleads Guilty' to Back-Seat Driving

A Salem woman admitted Monday to back-seat driving, and in court.

When Municipal Judge Perry Buren called the name of a man cited on a charge of going through a red light, a woman in the courtroom spoke up that she was the accused's wife and "it was my fault."

Quered as to how that could be, she said she was back-seat driving. Judge Buren said he couldn't accept a guilty plea from a substitute defendant (not under oath), but he set bail at \$5 and the "honest woman" indicated bail would be forfeited.

Ex-RFC Aide Tells of Gifts From Lithofold

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - A discharged chief of loan operations for the RFC told senators today he was presented with gifts from the American Lithofold Corp., after helping the St. Louis printing firm get loans totalling \$645,000.

"Testifying before the senate investigations subcommittee, Frank Prince, said his gifts included "one small ham," a turkey, boxes of oranges and perfume and a camera. Senator McCarty (R-Wis) estimated the camera to be worth \$103.

The senate inquiry group is looking into charges that William M. Boyle Jr., democratic national chairman, used his political influence to help American Lithofold borrow money from the Reconstruction Finance corporation.

Prince said his gifts came from R. J. Bauer, who at the time was vice president and general manager of Lithofold. But he added that he wouldn't do anything for Bauer "than I'd do for any one else."

Prince said that as chief of loan operations for the RFC he assigned a new loan examiner to the Lithofold case after the firm repeatedly had failed to get approval for loans. Eventually the loans were granted.

Prince was fired last May 10 by W. Stuart Symington, new RFC administrator.

Fighting Fierce In East Korea

U. S. EIGHTH ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Korea, Tuesday, Sept. 18 - The allies seized two heights, were jolted off a third and held on grimly against red threats to others Monday in savage fighting for east Korea's fog-shrouded hills.

The aroused North Koreans threw in counterattack after counterattack against American, Turkish, Ethiopian and South Korean troops.

Battles raged along an arc curving eastward from north of Yangju up over the punchbowl and then to the area of coastal Kangsong.

In the air, the Far East air force concentrated on the reds hard-hit rail system, cutting the lines in nearly 100 places Monday.

The eastern battle of the hills dwarfed some new UN hill assaults in the central and eastern central sectors of the 150-mile battle line.

Attempt to Escape From Jail Fatal

EUGENE, Sept. 17 - (AP) - A fall from a second-story window of the city hall here caused the death yesterday of Charles P. Rennie, 34, Eugene.

Rennie was arrested Saturday night on a drunk charge and fell from a laboratory window, Police Chief Ted Brown said. He apparently was attempting to escape, Brown added.

Power Cutback Ordered; Aluminum Output to Drop

More On-Street Parking Eyed In North Salem

On-street as well as off-street parking possibilities in north Salem will be explored by Salem city council in connection with its agreement to make up parking space lost by the Portland road widening by the state highway department.

This was decided at city hall Monday night during an informal conference of aldermen. They also touched on bus terminal changes proposed in connection with the one-way street traffic plan, on sidewalk policy changes and on short-term downtown parking.

No policy decisions were made, pending regular sessions of the council but it was agreed to put on exhibit in city hall this week the bus terminal changes so interested merchants and bus riders could study the proposals in advance of the new traffic plan expected to go in operation about October 15.

New developments in the north Salem parking issue were these: City officials are to see how many of a possible 22 street parking spaces can be provided on the west side of Portland road between Academy and Highland streets, through donation or sale of strips along the road by property owners. Four already have agreed to donate property, Mayor Alfred Loucks said.

Availability of a Dairy Cooperative association property across Academy street from the dairy plant will be checked. This would park about 20 cars.

Meanwhile, further consideration will be given the proposed leasing of two properties or parts of either along the highway for off-street parking. These are owned by W. J. Davies on the east side of the highway near Hall street and by Robert Forkner on the west side between Highland and Columbia streets. Either property in its entirety would park about 35 cars.

Latest checkup of parking spaces needed showed a total of 41 to compensate for no-parking restrictions imposed by the state to make the highway a full four lanes through north Salem.

More Meat Price Hikes Authorized

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - The government announced today the price of more meat products is going up.

The office of price stabilization (OPS) announced a new regulation allowing an increase in the cost of corned, barbecued and other processed beef. The regulation will be effective this Saturday. OPS didn't estimate how much the increase will be; they will vary according to a processor's costs.

THE WEATHER

Table with weather data for Salem, Portland, San Francisco, Chicago, New York, and Willamette river. Columns include Max, Min, and Precip.

SALEM PRECIPITATION

Table showing precipitation data for Salem from 1931 to 1951, including this year's data.

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Lloyd T. Riches

Lloyd Riches, Paper Plant Manager, Dies

Lloyd T. Riches, vice president and general manager of the Western Paper Converting company, died Monday in a Salem hospital after a prolonged illness.

Riches had not been in good health for two years. He suffered a stroke last June 1 and never fully recovered.

Deceased was prominent nationally in the paper specialty business for many years and spent considerable time in Washington, D. C., as a member of the war production board's advisory committee in World War II. He was in the army in World War I. Prior to coming to Salem in 1925 to help form the Western Paper Converting company, he was associated with several Oregon newspapers, owning two of them.

He served as president of the Columbia Empire Industries in 1946 and 1947.

Survivors include: the widow, Mrs. Opal Riches; three sons, David and T. R. Riches of Salem and Robert Riches of Sacramento, Calif.; a daughter, Mrs. Albert Lindbeck of Portland; three sisters, Mrs. Joe Chamber of Salem, Mrs. J. Carman of Portland and Doris Riches of Vancouver, Wash.

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Steam-Driven Car Wins Race

NEW YORK, Sept. 17 - (AP) - A steam-driven auto and an equally ancient gas buggy wound up their Chicago-New York race today, the steamer the winner by about 37 minutes in their battle against age and time.

The two relics off the byways of yesterday—a 1913 Stanley Steamer and a 1911 Stoddard-Dayton gasoline machine—chugged into modern Rockefeller Plaza and were greeted by a crowd of about 300 persons after the show-down.

The steamer, driven by 76-year-old Jack Hrause, one-time vice president of the Stanley Steamer company, wheeled to the finish line a minute ahead of Rube De Launty's buggy.

Frank W. Settlemier, Son of Woodburn's Founder, Dies

WOODBURN, Sept. 17 - Frank Wilson Settlemier, 78, son of the founder of Woodburn, died Sunday night at a Salem hospital. He had been in failing health for several months. Settlemier was widely known as a farmer and nurseryman and as the son of the late Jesse H. Settlemier, credited with founding Woodburn. Jesse's parents had crossed the plains in 1848 headed for California, but came to Oregon instead and settled near Mt. Angel. Jesse Settlemier came here and bought the Woodburn nursery in 1870. He incorporated the city Feb. 20, 1889, and became its first mayor. He gave a parcel of land free in Woodburn to anyone who would construct a building on it. Frank Settlemier was born at Woodburn, Aug. 18, 1873. He lived in this community all his life. He was educated in local schools and graduated from the Portland Business college. He married Mable Jones of Sal-

Brownout Plan Delayed; May Mean Layoffs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17 - (AP) - Conservation of power in the Pacific northwest was ordered tonight, but an expected "brownout" order was delayed.

Secretary of the Interior Chapman announced the order, effective immediately, designating certain essential defense industries which must continue to receive electric power.

Chapman said that if the water flow in the northwest continues to drop, supplemental orders will be issued invoking a "brownout" on non-essential display lighting and limiting deliveries to industrial consumers.

The order, issued by the defense electric power administration (DEPA) and approved by Chapman, is effective until March 31, 1952, unless terminated by an earlier order.

To Resume Normalcy Normal river flow conditions are expected by that date.

The new order specifically protects the following defense industries from any curtailment: 1. All of the atomic energy plants in the Pacific northwest. 2. The Spokane, Wash., magnesium plant. 3. The Pennsylvania Salt Co. plant in Portland, Ore.

Curtailments in loads having firm commitments for power will not be made until all available steam generation, operating on a round-the-clock basis, is unable to meet the power requirements of the area," Chapman said.

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 17 - (AP) - A cut of some 30 per cent in the Pacific northwest light metals industry's power supply was ordered today by the Bonneville administration.

Industry officials immediately began search for new power sources to keep production at a high level. Low Stream Flow Bonneville said at an emergency meeting that the low stream flow on the Columbia river, which turns the huge hydro-electric generators made it necessary to cut off about 200,000 kilowatts of interruptible power at midnight. Interruption of power is that which is not under firm contract and which fluctuates with the river flow.

Officials of aluminum companies said they hoped to get steam-generated power to replace part of the cut off supply. The Kaiser Aluminum reduction plant at Mead, Wash., near Spokane, said the cut would put two of its seven potlines out of service and bring about a layoff of some 250. Production would be cut about 6,000,000 pounds of aluminum a month, a spokesman said. The other potlines have firm power.

Another 250 workers at the Kaiser Trentwood aluminum rolling mill, east of Spokane, will be out of jobs, Mead officials said, because the plant "can't roll metal if it doesn't get it from Mead."

Spokesmen for the Reynolds Metals aluminum plant at Troutdale, Ore., and the Aluminum Company of America plant at Vancouver, Wash., said they did not expect to cut down production immediately.

Alligator in Exile After Biting Girl

CORAL GABLES, Fla., Sept. 17 - (AP) - A six-foot alligator that broke the bones in a little girl's arm trying to drag her into the murky waters of a rockpile, was captured today and exiled deep in the swampy Everglades.

The reptile rose hungrily to a loaf of bread dangled by Florida wild-life officers and was lassoed and carried off in a truck. It is against the law to kill alligators in Florida.

The law protecting alligators in Florida was passed several years ago when conservationists said the Saurians were in danger of being exterminated by hunters, gift shop owners and tourists. Gators of all ages formerly were shipped out of the state, as pets and to make leather goods. The alligator's victim, nine-year-old Jerry Gustafson, recovered sufficiently from yesterday's terrifying experience to sit up in bed and talk about it. Two bones were fractured in her right forearm and there were teeth marks from wrist to shoulder. Jerry said the alligator appeared while she and Parker Smith were fishing for minnows with a makeshift net. The gator jumped out of the water "like a porpoise," and bit her arm, she said. He let go and the boy pulled her to safety.