

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles Sprague

Two weeks ago Life Magazine, anticipating a truce in Korea, re-latests the background of events in the Korean war and then said: "Thus President Eisenhower can in good conscience sign away the first war the U. S. has not won." Several other publications, among them the Oregonian, have referred to the Korean War as our first which did not end in "physical victory."

Italy Premier DeGasperi's Regime Falls

ROME (AP)—Foes of the left and right ganged up on Premier Alcide De Gasperi's new, pro-Western government in the Chamber of Deputies Tuesday and overthrew it. 282-263.

French Closing Ring Around Red Regiment

SAIGON, Indochina (AP)—French Union forces hammered by air, sea and land Tuesday at a 3,000-man Vietminh regiment based near the coast of Central Indochina north of Hue, the capital of Annam Province.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



Industry Zoning Attacked

By ROBERT E. GANGWANE City Editor, The Statesman

Home owners in areas marked for heavy industrial zoning under a new code made it plain to Salem Planning and Zoning commission Tuesday night they didn't like it.

Several citizens in the overflow crowd of 175 at a City Hall hearing protested the proposed restriction against building homes, schools or churches in an M-2 (heavy industry) zone.

Otherwise it was a renewal of the running fight between residential and business interests of North Capitol and South Commercial Streets in most of the 50 statements made to the commission.

The occasion was the final hearing before the commission on the zone code it has spent three years preparing. Commissioners decided to go over the hearing material next Tuesday night before making its final recommendation to the City Council for legislation.

But it convinced several of the commission members that some change should be made in the industrial zones where home owners already are located.

Two major areas of this sort are the half-block strip along Oak Street between 14th and 19th Streets and the area south of Mission and west of 22nd Streets.

Changing the proposed industrial zones there from M-2 to M-1 would allow home building but would still prohibit churches or schools.

Residents who protested last night asked for apartment or business zoning instead of industrial zoning, for the most part.

Some of the area is in industrial zoning but homes have been developed there instead of factories. And the industrial zones under present city law makes no restriction against any other use of the property.

To permit rebuilding Zoners explained that houses already built would be allowed to continue in the industrial zones as proposed and rebuilding would be permitted in case of fire or other damage unless the destruction amounted to over 20 per cent of the structure.

Just about everyone who appeared last night had some objection to voice.

Sun Brings Out Tans, Cuties



With the summer sun finally making a regular appearance here each day, pretty Leanne French (center), 1925 N. Liberty St., who has flaming red hair, is doing her best to get a sun burn to match. Helping her with the sun-tan lotion at Leslie swimming pool are Shirley Juran (left), 1795 S. High St., and Reita Gilman, 1440 Douglas Ave. (Statesman photo.)

130,000 East Germans Get Food in West Berlin

BERLIN (AP)—Western food gifts drew 130,000 hungry East Germans to the Allied sectors of Berlin Tuesday. Some recipients were reported harassed by Communist police when they headed home. But two million are now expected to be fed in two weeks from the American-financed relief.

Polio Strikes Gates Boy

Billy Fearheller, 6, is in Salem Memorial Hospital with poliomyelitis, according to the Marion County communicable disease report, released Tuesday by the county health department.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fearheller of Gates. The boy was stricken last Friday at his home, the disease attacking the eyelids, which, according to Irwin Wedel, manager of the hospital, is the first such case of its type reported in Marion County. Young Fearheller's arms are also affected.

He was reported in fair condition last night with progress satisfactory.

Huggins Heads Parole Board

Charles H. Huggins, Salem insurance broker, Tuesday was elected chairman of the state parole and probation board.

Harry V. Collins, also of Salem, was chosen vice-chairman. Third member, retiring chairman, is James J. Richardson of Portland. Huggins will serve as a member of the board expires December 31, 1954.

Richardson, serving on the board since September, 1949, was elected chairman, July 1, 1951.

Collins' term on the board expires in 1956.

School Opening Delayed

By CONRAD PRANGE Staff Writer, The Statesman

Salem district public schools will open a week later this fall, by order Tuesday night of the Salem School Board which hoped this action may help the late bean harvest.

School will start on Monday, Sept. 21 instead of the originally planned Sept. 14. To partially make up for the lost week the Spring Vacation week, normally held from March to 19 will be cut down to two days, March 18-19.

School board members heard cannery representatives outline the plight of bean growers and packers. George Paulus of Paulus Bros. Packing Co. was spokesman for the canners.

Prospective loss He said growers and packers were in line for "million and a half dollar loss" if the board didn't delay school opening so that youths could harvest and pack the later-than-usual crop.

The bean crop is three weeks behind time right now," said Paulus. "Beans usually start around July 15. But this year they won't get underway in volume for another 10 days."

Another packer said the peak of harvesting and packing beans will probably be reached between Aug. 15-20 and will continue for another three weeks or more.

School Superintendent Walter Snyder pointed out that parents of many children wouldn't appreciate a delay in school opening. He added that spring vacation time should not be eliminated, that children need this rest in the spring from school work.

As it is, by delaying the start, the Salem school system loses about \$9,000 in state basic school support fund contributions.

Board members, however, approved the new schedule—as one of them hoped out loud it wouldn't rain that extra week of vacation, and another hoped the berry growers wouldn't be "on our necks" in next spring.

Board member Harry Scott said that a financial loss to the bean industry would mean a loss to the community.

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Fairgrounds 'Burn' Causes Smoke Screen

Williamette Valley was called "Smokey Valley" in many sections of the Salem area Tuesday due to the smoke-screen let out by city firemen burning off excess dried grass at the State Fairgrounds.

The "burn-off" is described by firemen as a regular annual ritual necessitated by growing and drying grass on what is used as a parking area at the south end of the grounds. The grass is burned off to prevent possible burning by autos during fair season.

Firemen said they started their operation early in the afternoon. On hand were the tanker and the fairgrounds "flusher" (used normally to sprinkle the race track).

Twenty-five acres was the biggest area burned off at one time and the rest was burned in 10-acre lots. Travellers entering the Salem area were perplexed by the "twilight" conditions created by the smoke in the warm afternoon as were many local residents.

Commies Charge Allies With 8 Truce Violations

Site in Marion Square Awaits Old Parsonage

Plans to move the old Methodist Parsonage, second oldest site in Salem, to its original site at 13th and Ferry Streets to Marion Square, were announced Tuesday by Marion County Historical Society.

The house was obtained free from Salem School Board which is clearing an administration building site at 13th and Ferry.

Mayor Alfred Loucks Tuesday asked City Attorney Chris J. Kowitz to draft an agreement to permit the Marion Square location on a one-year temporary basis, upon the conditions that the society harm no trees there, protect the house by a fence and complete within the year a financial program sufficient to guarantee the maintenance of the old building at no expense to the city.

Financing of the project will be on a volunteer basis, Murray Wade said. Dr. Burt Brown Barker, Portland, a former Salem resident and longtime vice president of University of Oregon, has pledged \$500.

Dr. Barker said in Salem Tuesday the "parsonage" would be made into a city museum. It was built in 1841, housed early Methodist ministers including those who organized the institute which became Willamette University.

Wade said plans are prepared for restoring the old house to its original setup.

The School Board rejected the \$35 bid it received at a public auction for the historic house, along with several other bids. School officials since have been negotiating for selling the four houses and a garage on the corner property for more than the \$280 which high bids totaled at the auction.

Senator Taft Reported As 'Generally Weaker'

NEW YORK (AP)—Sen. Robert A. Taft's condition took a turn for the worse Tuesday after a series of optimistic reports in previous days.

Early Tuesday night he was reported "generally weaker" but a later announcement said he was "resting a little more comfortably."

The latest statement—third to be issued during the day by the New York Hospital—was released at 9:30 p. m. (EST).

It said: "The senator is resting a little more comfortably now."

A 5 p. m. bulletin had said his condition continued to be unsatisfactory, that he was generally weaker and able to take very little nourishment.

Wife's First Visit The Ohio Republican Party stalwart was visited during the day and evening by his wife, Martha, and two of his sons, Lloyd and Robert Jr. It was his wife's first visit to him since he entered the hospital.

Mrs. Taft suffered a stroke some time ago and now gets around only in a wheelchair. She was flown here from Washington.

New York Hospital, in a 5 p. m. (EST) report said:

"Senator Taft's condition continues to be unsatisfactory. He has been able to take very little nourishment and is generally weaker. He is experiencing no pain and has no fever."

A hospital spokesman said no further report would be made Tuesday night.

Hip Ailment Taft has been treated for a hip ailment, and underwent an exploratory operation at the hospital July 8.

Afterward it was reported that he stood the operation well, but there was no disclosure as to what the operation showed nor any clue as to the nature of his ailment.

Earlier Tuesday the hospital issued the first report reflecting anything but optimism on the senator's condition. It said his condition "has deteriorated somewhat" and that he was responding less well to treatment.

Power Failure Forces 'Rotation' of Electricity

PRINEVILLE (AP)—Rural areas got their electricity Tuesday afternoon at a time. Service was rotated among outlying districts because of a transformer failure.

Housemother Beaten as 4 Girls Flee Hillcrest; Later Captured

Four teen-age girls made their escape from Hillcrest School southeast of Salem sometime during the early morning Tuesday after one of them had beaten up a night housemother and taken her keys. They were apprehended later in the day Tuesday.

Blast Shakes Birmingham

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Arizona Ponders Fate of 263 Children of Polygamous Town

SHORT CREEK, Ariz. (AP)—The future of Short Creek's many children was being determined by the state of Arizona here Tuesday.

Housnell to Head Group Studying State Constitution

Sen. John P. Housnell, Hood River, was elected chairman Tuesday of the 17-member committee to study whether Oregon's constitution should be either revised or rewritten.

Rep. Mark O. Hatfield, Salem, was elected secretary at the State-house meeting.

The committee, which will report to the 1955 legislature, met for the first time.

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U.N. Command Terms Claims 'Unsupported'

MUNSAN (AP)—Communist members of the Korean Armistice Commission Wednesday charged the Allies with eight separate violations of the truce agreement signed Monday.

North Korean Lt. Gen. Lee Sang Cho made the charges at the commission's second session since the cease-fire.

United Nations Command members promptly branded the charges as "allegations" and said they needed investigation.

After the hour and 22-minute meeting, Maj. Gen. Blackshear M. (Armistice story and map also on page 5, section 2.)

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Shift Leaves New Principals At Jr. Highs

A series of promotions and changes involving top offices at Parrish and Leslie Junior High Schools, were approved by the Salem School Board Tuesday night.

Charles Schmidt, principal at Leslie, was appointed principal of Parrish. He succeeds Carl Aschenbrenner, who will be principal of the new South Salem High School, now under construction.

Earl Hampton, assistant principal at Leslie, will move up to the principal's chair there. Len Mort, dean of boys at Salem High School, will be assistant principal at Parrish.

Neil Brown, assistant principal at Parrish, will move over to the senior high school as assistant principal in charge of youth personnel.

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