

Gen. Dean Freed, Tells of Ordeals in Communist Prison Camps

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles F. Sprague

The terms of the proposed contract between Bonneville Power Administration and private utilities in the Northwest which Dr. Paul J. Raver discussed at a press conference Tuesday are not starting. The contract is really a tardy compliance with the federal law setting up the Bonneville Power Administration. This law directed the Administrator to enter into contracts with public bodies, cooperatives, industries and private utilities for a term not to exceed 20 years. BPA long ago made such contracts with public bodies, cooperatives and private industries, but not with private utilities for such a term. Present contracts with the last named are for a five-year term.

The new contract, which is still in the pending stage, does not disturb the preference of public bodies nor the contracts now existing with private industry. The private utilities are third in line at the bus bar. They will be assured of the next 500,000 kilowatts. Then industry, which now gets a little over a million kilowatts can add 70,000 kw, but no more until private utilities reach their total allotment of 1,500,000 kw.

The catch is that Bonneville doesn't have any such gobs of power in sight. At the present schedule of installing new generators the 500,000 kw allotment will not be available until 1958. By 1960 added generation may supply them with 750,000 kw. But owing to the operation of the preference clause and the expected increase in demand from public bodies the actual deliveries to private utilities and to industries will begin to taper off after 1960, and according to the estimate of

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Flying Paul Revere Hits Block in Ride

Max Conrad, the "Flying Paul Revere" due in Salem Thursday to publicize the 50th anniversary of powered flight, didn't make it.

Engine trouble forced his Piper Pacer 125-hp plane down in a farmer's field near Cle Elum, Wash., Thursday morning.

This was the first delay in 12,000 miles of air travel to state capitals in the tour started Aug. 17, it was reported to The Statesman by telephone yesterday from Basil Littin, publicity man for Gen. James H. Doolittle's national committee in charge of the anniversary observance. Littin is flying with Conrad.

The plane was undamaged in the landing and Conrad was working on the engine, expecting to resume his tour Friday by visiting Olympia, then Salem about 4:15 p.m. That would leave only California and Nevada still to visit on the tour.

Conrad, 50, is the father of 10 and the holder of several world air records. He was forced down Thursday soon after a stop at Ellensburg, Wash., where he was made an "honorary sheepherder."

Liquor Store Opening Set

Opening of Salem's first liquor store on a contract basis will take place at noon today at 910 S. Commercial St.

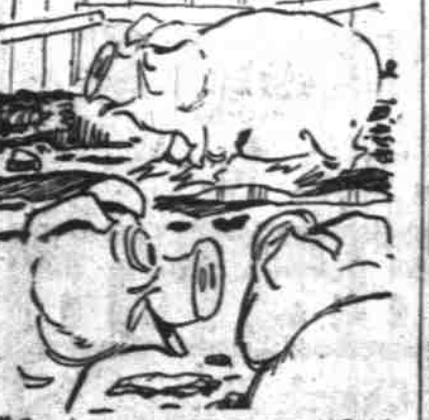
Unlike the state liquor agency on Court St. which is operated by the state liquor commission, the new store will be operated by Raymond G. Moon on a commission basis under state regulation. Hours and conditions of operation will be the same as those in effect at the Court St. Store.

The decision to open this store was made by the state liquor agency in an effort to relieve traffic congestion.

Moon has lived in Salem since 1934 except for a short time spent in Klamath Falls with a real estate firm.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN COODRICH



"SHE'S A WONDERFUL HOME-MAKER—THE PLACE ALWAYS LOOKS LIKE A PIG PEN!"



GENERAL WILLIAM DEAN Released by Reds

Chief Warren To Receive Police Award

Police Chief Clyde A. Warren will receive a 1953 Gold Seal of Progress Award from the Mission, Tex., Chamber of Commerce, for progressive law enforcement work, Salem Chamber of Commerce announced Thursday.

Warren is the only Oregon police chief chosen this year in the nationwide awards program. Chamber Manager Clay Cochran, who has been making arrangements with the Texas group to present the award, was informed that in the past the Gold Seal awards have been followed by Department of Justice citations of merit from FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

The award from Texas will be presented Chief Warren Tuesday noon at a Salem Kiwanis Club meeting in the Senator Hotel where about 75 Portland businessmen will join in the program. (Additional details on page 2).

Information submitted by Salem Chamber on Warren's record as police chief stresses youth activities such as Third Base Club and Soap Box Derby, traffic control including the absence of traffic fatalities so far this year, keeping Salem free of commercial gambling and other vice, civic activity like participating in city government forums, police department displays, Kiwanis and Chamber work.

Tower to Stay Idle, CAA Says

By A. ROBERT SMITH Statesman Correspondent

WASHINGTON — The Salem airport tower will remain unmanned by the Civil Aeronautics Administration, Sen. Guy Cordon has been told by CAA officials in what was apparently the final round in the battle the Oregon senator led to keep the control tower operating.

Closed down June 30 on orders of Secretary of Commerce Sinclair Weeks due to a CAA economy move, the Salem tower was one of 18 across the country in which aviation landing instruments were operated by government personnel.

Sen. Cordon managed to get congressional approval of a directive to CAA that none of the reductions in operating funds be applied to aviation safety activities, which would include the Salem tower.

In informing Cordon that the CAA was standing firm on its original decision to keep the tower shut down, officials maintained that it was administration policy to close the control towers irrespective of reductions in CAA's budget ordered by Congress.

That closes the issue, at least until CAA officials come back to Capitol Hill for next year's funds in February.

MERCY SHIP DOCKS

SAN FRANCISCO — The gleaming white Navy hospital ship Haven arrived off the Golden Gate Thursday night, bringing home 104 sick and wounded American fighting men from the Communist prison camps of North Korea. The men will be discharged Friday.

PLANE BRINGS POWS

TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. — A military transport plane landed here Thursday with 37 sick or wounded liberated prisoners of the Korean war. One of them was Pfc. Leonard E. Steege, Medford.

THE WEATHER

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