

Street Paving Work Planned in Spite of Protest of Owners

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Challenging the City Council's interpretation of city charter amendments providing for street improvements over major property owners protests was raised Monday night, but failed to block action on two West Salem paving projects.

"I am in doubt whether these fall under the provisions and intent of the charter amendment," O'Hara declared of resolutions to improve sections of Cascade Drive and Rosemont Avenue. The city intends to improve the streets without the approval of abutting property owners on the basis they are arterial routes necessary to the general welfare.

Main Artery

Alderman Walter White, sponsor of both measures, said the streets serve as a main artery for people in the heights leading to west Salem business district and are on the most direct route for Eola Hills residents to the business area.

Alderman O'Hara voiced the

Novice Steals Plane, Feared Lost in Britain

LONDON (U—A royal air force ground crewman who never before had flown an airplane circled crazily over London Monday night for hours in a plane he stole from an airfield in Hampshire.

The 17-ton, two-engine trainer finally vanished in the darkness near Lea Bridge, Essex, on the outskirts of the capital. It was believed to have crashed. A pursuing pilot said he saw flames on the ground.

The amateur pilot was described as a 20-year-old Indian. His name was withheld. The plane he took was loaded with secret navigational equipment, the Air Ministry reported.

An RAF flight commander in a similar plane took off after the stolen craft but lost sight of it. Search parties were unable to find any wreckage and gave up until dawn.

The youth, a corporal, climbed into the plane at Thorney Island airfield, 60 miles northeast of London, and took off.

The airfield duty commander warned up a second plane and went in pursuit.

Over London the stolen plane circled at 1,000 feet, its pilot ignoring efforts by the commander to communicate with him by radio.

For more than two hours the fugitive zoomed madly around the sky. Several times he intersected busy commercial flight lanes.

Two hours and 20 minutes after his takeoff, the Indian corporal circled over Walthamstow Reservoir in Northeast London, flashing his navigation lights but still ignoring his pursuer.

Forty minutes later he arrived over the woods at Lea Bridge.

The next thing the pursuing pilot saw was flames and the outline of an aircraft on the ground. At the same time, radar stations which covered both planes lost the pursued trainer.

Hunch Solves Rape Slaying

NEWPORT, R. I. (U—A 23-year-old neighbor, arrested on a policeman's hunch, Monday admitted the weekend rape slaying of 86-year-old Miss Susan B. Franklin, Newport Public Safety Director Francis L. Fitzgerald said.

Fitzgerald identified the man as Edward J. Andrews, who received a bad conduct discharge from the Army nine months ago.

Andrews was picked up for questioning early Monday after Inspector George von Villas recalled the man had been held over Friday night as a drunk. Andrews lives about a block from the Franklin home.

Fitzgerald said Andrews admitted in a signed statement the slaying occurred during a robbery attempt.

Atomic Plant Strike Voted

ALBUQUERQUE (U—More than 2,400 workers of two unions Monday night voted to strike Tuesday morning at Sandia Base, one of the nation's major atomic centers.

Both unions announced pickets would be set up at the base gates at 6 a. m.

The strike involves about 1,200 production workers of the Atomic Workers Division of the AFL Metal Trades Council and about 1,200 workers of the AFL Office Workers Union.

"Choctaw Scrip" is scrip issued to Choctaw Indians in Mississippi in lieu of lands to which they were entitled under the treaty of Sept. 27, 1830.

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Police Probe Widow's Past In Portland

(Story also on page one.)

PORTLAND (U—Police continued Monday to dig up more details from the background of Mrs. Marjorie Smith, accused of plotting the bomb-slaying of her husband. They have found four weddings, to Merrick Hersey in California in 1941, to Michael Brant in Washington in 1949, and twice to Smith. Divorces ended the first two marriages, and she was divorced from Smith late last year, then was remarried to him in February.

It was in the interval of divorce that she began concocting the plot to kill Smith, Victor Wolf, who is accused of planting the bomb, told police, adding that she remarried Smith deliberately to be in position to get his estate.

"The worst lies I have ever heard," Mrs. Smith said when told of Wolf's story. She called him a "repulsive old man," and said he had never been her lover, as he claimed.

She told police she met Wolf last year after he moved into a rooming house she owns here. She indicated he had pursued her, but got no encouragement from her. The result of Wolf's actions, however, were that Smith and Wolf worked up an active dislike for each other, she said.

Police continued to sift over the woman's background, and uncovered another witness who has known Mrs. Smith a number of years. He is Thomas Adrian Martin, 37, who said she had been obsessed recently with the idea of carrying out "the perfect crime," and that once she remarked, "Wouldn't it be lucky if it happened to Kern."

Meantime Wolf Monday led detectives to the store at nearby Monitor where he said he bought the dynamite used to blow up Smith's car.

Police said they have two witnesses who had seen Mrs. Smith and Wolf buying a picnic lunch at a Woodland, Wash., restaurant.

Wolf earlier told detectives that he and Mrs. Smith had a picnic in that area after driving there to test various wiring systems that would set off the automobile blast.

He said Mrs. Smith had picked some pussy willows at the secluded spot. He showed detectives where the pussy willow stems were broken.

Six Directors Relected at AP Meeting

NEW YORK (U—Six directors were reelected Monday at the annual meeting of The Associated Press.

They were: Benjamin M. McKelway, Washington (D.C.) Sunday Star; John R. Reitemeyer, Hartford (Conn.) Courant; Nathaniel R. Howard, Cleveland (Ohio) News; Richard W. Clarke, New York Daily News and Sunday News; W. H. Cowles, Spokane (Wash.) Spokesman-Review; and Raymond L. Spangler, Redwood City (Calif.) Tribune.

Spangler is a director for cities of less than 50,000 population. He received 7,422 votes against 1,984 for Arthur Ballantine Jr., Durango (Colo.) Herald-News, the other candidate nominated for the post.

For the other directors the vote was: McKelway 8,351; Reitemeyer 7,666; Howard 7,280; Clarke 6,570; Cowles 5,790; Clarence B. Hanson Jr., Birmingham (Ala.) Sunday News 5,159; Oscar S. Stauffer, Topeka (Kan.) State Journal 2,851; William R. Mathews, Tucson (Ariz.) Star 2,469; J. Hale Steinman, Lancaster (Pa.) Intelligencer-Journal and Sunday News 1,962; and James A. Guthrie, San Bernardino (Calif.) Daily Sun, 1,298.

Science Journal May Get Report On Einstein Brain

PRINCETON, N. J. (U—Princeton Hospital announced Monday night that following conclusion of a study of Dr. Albert Einstein's brain a report may be published in a scientific journal.

But no reports on the famed scientist's vital organs will be released by the hospital. Einstein died here a week ago at the age of 76.

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Dale Dorn, newly elected president of the Salem Junior Chamber of Commerce who will be installed at the club's meeting tonight.

Mississippi Wood Used in Northwest

SOUTH BEND, Wash. (U—In a "coal to Newcastle" operation, the Western Nu-Ply Corp. plant here is using wood shipped from Mississippi to test a new "dry-run" process of producing Masonite hardboard.

The patented Masonite process now used generally throughout the United States involves the explosion of wood fibres and the use of liquid chemicals in production of the hardboard.

In Western Nu-Ply's process the wood is reduced to chips and the chips are fibred mechanically. Dry pressure is applied to form the board from the fibres.

In the experiments here, Western Nu-Ply is using southern slash pine and hardwood logs in preference to the abundant local supply of fir.

The top quality hardboard turned out in the Masonite tests contain a combination of gum and magnolia logs. The wood currently being used is shipped by rail in the form of barked logs from the Masonite plant at Laurel, Miss.

R.J. Duchaine of the Masonite engineering staff, who is conducting the experiments here, said present plans call for the use of Australian woods in future tests.

Western Nu-Ply, incorporated here last year, has been turning out hardboard made from local supplies of fir and alder under a process developed by German scientists.

GOVERNORS' CHOICE

CONCORD, N. H. (U—Ned Quint, 81-year-old violinist, played at Gov. Lane Dwinell's inauguration. It was the 31st consecutive inauguration reception at which he has played for a New Hampshire governor. Quint first fiddled during the reception for Gov. Charles A. Busiel in 1895.

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Pravda Says Chinese Don't Want Conflict

MOSCOW (U—The Communist Party newspaper Pravda said Tuesday the "Chinese people do not want war with the United States."

In an article from Bandung, Indonesia, Pravda said the "Chinese government is ready to start negotiations with the government of the United States to discuss the question of weakening tension in the Far East and especially in the district of Taiwan (Formosa)."

This was the first time the authoritative Soviet newspaper had stated bluntly that the Chinese people do not want war over Formosa.

Pravda said the suggestion of Red China's Premier Chou En-Lai for talks with the United States at the Asian-African conference "produced a great impression in conference circles," and developed "hope for the future."

Ivestia, the Soviet government newspaper, said Chou's proposal "caught unawares the major part of official persons in Washington" and placed the "United States in an unusual and difficult position."

"The thing is the peace loving initiative of China all of a sudden knocked grounds from under the feet of American politicians who up until now clamored that they were ready to meet any initiative directed toward weakening any tension in the Far East and especially Formosa, but that the obstacle allegedly was the irrevocable position of China," Ivestia said.

"Now the possibility of negotiations with the people's republic is open but numerous United States leaders in reality don't actually want negotiations," the newspaper said.

"They prefer to maintain the atmosphere of tension in Taiwan, being inspired by profit-making considerations of monopolies interested in the armament race."

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"THREE HOURS TO KILL," with Dana Andrews and Donna Reed

HOLLYWOOD

"GREEN FIRE," with Stewart Granger and Grace Kelly

"THE OUTCAST," with John Derek and Joan Evans

Mrs. Rowden Succumbs to 2-Year Illness

Mrs. Bertha Rowden, 55, 1830 N. 20th St., died Monday at a Salem nursing home after an illness of about two years. She was the wife of George Rowden, a Stevens Equipment Co. salesman.

Born July 3, 1899 in the state of Washington, Mrs. Rowden had lived in Salem for the past five years, for a short time in Lebanon and in Portland for the 20 years before moving to this area.

Besides her widower she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Ray Sneed, Salem; three brothers and one sister. They are Mrs. R. E. Olson, Hoquiam, Wash., Ralph Lehman, San Francisco, Walter Lehman, Deer Island, and Fred Lehman, Richland, Wash.

Arrangements are in charge of the Virgil T. Golden Funeral Home.

In England, there is one locomotive for every 2½ miles of railroad track while in the United States there is one locomotive for every 9 miles of track.

LAST DAY! "ASPHALT JUNGLE"

—and— "TARZAN THE APE MAN"

Rise Stevens' Salem Concert 'Adroit in Every Department'

By STANLEY BUTLER

Assoc. Prof. of Music, Willamette U.

Rise Stevens, Metropolitan Opera mezzo-soprano, gave the final concert of the 1954-55 Community Concert series last evening at the North Salem High School Auditorium. The singer brought to her recital professionalism of a high order, adroit in every department.

Miss Stevens managed her voice in a brilliantly-schooled manner. One sensed a concern for admirable tone production throughout the evening. Her low tones were wonderfully resonant, as ample as the ocean's breakers. Such dark tones were always striking, partly because they were not used too frequently.

Miss Stevens gave her audience a sense of comfort through her technical command, although I had to struggle sometimes to understand her English.

High points of the program were devoted to favorite operatic arias. These were done with a thoroughly seasoned command, with no exaggerations and with excellent musicianship.

The "Carmen" excerpts were particularly suited to the singer. Her tremendous virtuosity came out in the sultry colouring. Her voice revealed the latent confidence of the gypsy Carmen.

Miss Stevens also sang an attractive group of numbers by Grieg, a distinguished selection of German lieder, and a varied group of songs in English. The singer again brought a secure sense of style to these numbers. Those most successful had a dramatic flair, such as the novelty number "The Pasture" by Naginski.

Poised Manner

I must confess to a disappointment in Miss Stevens' ability to move me in the more tender emotions of the gentler human feelings escaped her, and I was left not too moved in the smaller songs.

Miss Stevens had a charmingly poised manner on stage. She moved with style, archly tossing her head and shoulders, bowing with restraint and grace. Her description, introducing the encore "Edwin" by Wagenaar, was very skillful.

James Shomate gave admirable assistance at the piano. His accompaniment had a very suitable combination of character and support. His choice of modern French solo numbers was an excellent complement to the singer's program. His playing was winning in an unpretentious and musicianly way.

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