



MOLALLA—Search for uranium in Wilhoit area, seven miles east of Molalla, gathered momentum Tuesday as crew from Montana drilled test holes on claims held by Salem residents. Steeply-sloping hillside was center of operations, produced clay and sandstone in preliminary drilling after thin layer of uranium-content ore was found near surface in drilling at roadside level, 100 feet below.

IT SEEMS TO ME

By Charles A. Sprague

On Monday Governor Patterson announced names of the seven persons he has picked for the new state water resources board. He took his time in making the selection, and it is evident that he exercised great care to make up a balanced board. The list includes two professional men, one an engineer specializing in water, another a lawyer skilled in law on water rights. One had experience (with Bonneville Power Administration) in hydroelectric power. One is an Eastern Oregon rancher, another an orchardist in Southern Oregon. One is a past state president of the Isaac Walton League, another was long a member of the Willamette Basin Committee which now will be succeeded by this new state board.

It is evident there is no "loading" of the board for special interest (electric power), nor is it lopsided on the conservation (fish) side. Three members are interested in or acquainted with irrigation, but they are not a majority. The purpose of the board would be defeated if each member considers himself a spokesman for a special interest whether it is power or fish or irrigation or navigation. The board's success will depend on how it functions with singleness of purpose to work out water programs best for the present and future of the people of Oregon. It is well to have diverse interests represented, not as delegates or partisans.

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Polk D. A. May Oppose Thornton

PORTLAND (U.S. — State Sen. Carl H. Francis of Dayton and Walter W. Foster of Dallas, are considering seeking the Republican nomination for the post of Oregon attorney general next year. Francis, an attorney, and Foster, Polk County district attorney, each indicated the other's candidacy would not keep him out of the primary race.

The post now is held by Robert Y. Thornton, a Democrat.

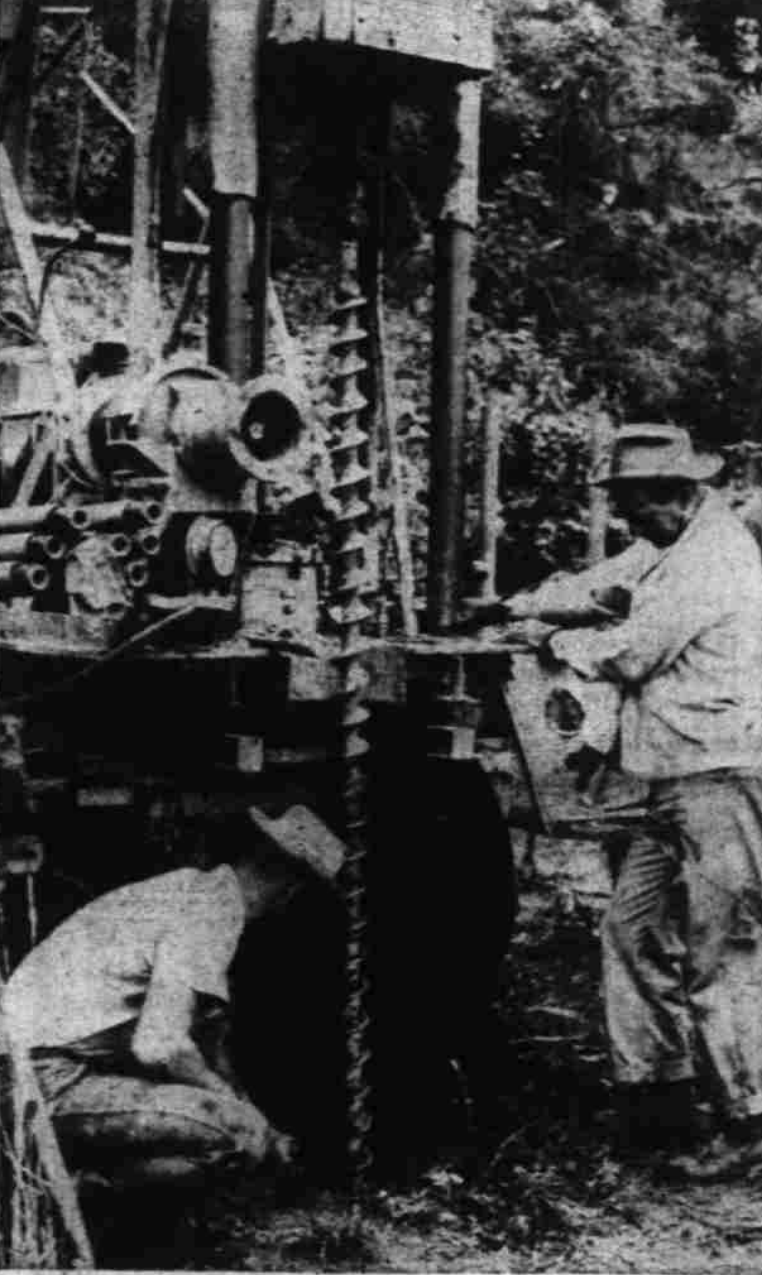
BASEBALL

- NORTHWEST LEAGUE
At Salem 3, Wenatchee 4
At Tri-City 4, Eugene 1
At Lewiston 13, Yakima 4
PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE
At Portland 2, Seattle 2
At Los Angeles 2, Hollywood 1
At Oakland 10, San Francisco 3
NATIONAL LEAGUE
At Brooklyn 8, Milwaukee 6
At Philadelphia 1, Chicago 3
At New York 3-0, Cincinnati 0-7
At Pittsburgh 3-0, St. Louis 1-1
AMERICAN LEAGUE
At Chicago 7, Boston 5
At Kansas City 4, New York 3
At Detroit 4, Washington 9
At Cleveland 7, Baltimore 4

ANIMAL CRACKERS



"We've been invited to the Brown's for a grape-stomping... Wonder why?"



MOLALLA—Close-up shows section of drill used in uranium search Tuesday. Rig is capable of going down 200 feet but drillers Ted Rieman (left) and Dave Bower said they did not plan to go beyond 45 feet here. A tube, attached to Geiger counter, is lowered into hole after it is drilled. Sample is removed if counter needle jumps. (Statesman photos by John Erickson, Staff Photographer.)

Uranium Sought in Cascade Foothills

By CHARLES IRELAND
Valley Editor, The Statesman
MOLALLA—Search for a "mother lode" of uranium was underway Tuesday in the Wilhoit Mineral Springs area, 35 miles northeast of Salem. Attracted by the preliminary success of Salem claimholders, a professional crew began probing the drilling of the Cascade foothills with the crust of equipment brought here from Billings, Mont. Richard N. Miller, geologist, said his three-man crew already had struck a thin layer of soil containing uranium. But he stressed that this did not mean the much-sought mineral was present in worthwhile quantities. Miller said the crew plans to drill at least 25 test holes in an approximate square mile of terrain representing the claims of 38 Salem-area residents. He said most of the holes would be 40 to 45 feet deep.

"Probe Tube"
A bullet-shaped "probe tube" will be dropped into each hole and readings will be taken on a Geiger counter at the surface. Core samples will be taken from any holes where uranium is indicated. If promising samples are located, the geologist said, they will be shipped to a private assayer at Grand Junction, Colo. On Royalty Basis
The crew is employed by Western America Uranium Exploration Corp., Billings. Miller said the firm has made arrangements with Lester Johnson, Salem, and other claim holders to seek uranium and mine it on a royalty basis if "commercial quantities" are found. Johnson has been prospecting in the area for six months. He said the crew came here from Billings as a result of ore samples he has unearthed in the area. Johnson also declared that no sale of stock is involved nor contemplated. Geologist Miller said the next step following a favorable assay report would be to bring in a power shovel, mine at least 50 tons and ship it to the nearest receiving station. One of the nearest is at Salt Lake City, Utah. Miller said it usually takes at least a 50-ton sample (gondola carload) to prove the worth of a claim. He said a profitable carload of uranium ore might range from \$850 to—in rare cases—\$80,000 in value.

Banfield Route Section to Open

PORTLAND (U.S. — The east end of Portland's new Banfield Expressway will go into use Oct. 1. City Engineer Fred Fowler said the route will be open in the stretch between the Columbia River Highway east of Portland to N.E. 42d Ave.

Salem's Aviation Pioneers Lived With Adventure

The men (and a few women) who pioneered the growth of aviation in Salem were an adventuresome group who not only flew by the "seat of their pants" but often on the tops of their heads. A story on how these early, dedicated "aeroplane enthusiasts" made and flew their own planes and helped aviation grow is in today's Oregon Statesman on Page 2, Sec. 2.

Egypt Accepts Armistice Plan

Carrier Sea Run Stalled

Forrestal Fails to Hit Peak Power As Bearing Melts

ABOARD CARRIER FORRESTAL AT SEA (U.S. — A propeller shaft bearing melted Tuesday and forced curtailment of sea trials of the supercarrier Forrestal. The trouble developed in the main thrust bearing on the number three shaft, as the world's biggest warship was building up to full power about 100 miles east of Cape Henry, Va. H. T. Bent, vice president and works manager of the Forrestal's builders, the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co., said the melted bearing would prevent fullpower runs, planned for Wednesday.

For this reason, the ship, which sailed from Newport News, Va., Monday, will return there Thursday morning instead of Friday as originally scheduled. The Forrestal will return to sea Sept. 19 to perform the postponed full power runs, Bent said. "We still hope to deliver the ship to the Navy on Sept. 29, as scheduled," Bent said. Commissioning ceremonies are scheduled for Oct. 1.

Highway Trio Case May Go To Grand Jury

A Marion County grand jury may eventually investigate the conduct of three State Highway Department men suspended Monday for "irregular conduct." District Attorney Kenneth E. Brown said Tuesday after a conference with State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock and district attorneys from Polk and Yamhill counties, that the grand jury would study the matter if subsequent investigation by his office indicates this course of action is warranted. Brown said the two other district attorneys, Walter Foster, from Polk County, and Elliott Cummings, Yamhill County, indicated they would follow the same course of action. The law possibly violated by the trio, Charles F. O'Neill, Edgar O. Ferguson and Arthur T. Garrow, all of Salem, is one prohibiting state employees from accepting gifts in connection with their work.

Violation of the law, upon conviction, calls for a fine of not more than \$5,000, one year in the county jail or penitentiary or both; or by dismissal "with or without either or any such punishments." One of the men, Ferguson, appealed his suspension to the Civil Service Commission Monday. The other two had not appealed by late Tuesday afternoon although O'Neill said late last week he believed he would.

Kiwanians to Meet in Salem

Salem will be host next year to a Kiwanis convention expected to draw attendance to over 1,000. Salem Kiwanis Club received word Tuesday noon from its delegates at the regional Kiwanis convention in Bellingham, Wash., that Salem had just been selected the 1956 convention city. The current convention, at Bellingham has registration of more than 1,000 from Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Idaho. An organized bid for the 1956 convention was prepared by Salem Kiwanis and Salem Chamber of Commerce. The local delegation to Bellingham is headed by William H. Hammond, Salem Kiwanis president.

MEAT PLANT SOLD

SAN JOSE, Calif. (U.S. — Central Eureka Corp. announced Tuesday the sale of its Gem State meat packing division at Boise, Idaho, to Swift & Co.

The Weather

Table with columns: Max., Min., Precip. for Salem, Portland, Medford, North Bend, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, and Willamette River.

Israel Reply Sought

U. S., British Ask Cease-Fire as Fight Continues

JERUSALEM (U.S. — The United Nations Truce Mission announced early Wednesday Egypt has agreed to a cease fire effective at 6 p.m. Jerusalem time (9 a.m. PST) on the Israeli-Egyptian front near Gaza. A Commission spokesman said Israel's agreement is expected Wednesday.

The crackle of gunfire and the roars of other explosive violence went on through Tuesday. A U.N. spokesman, indicating optimism that the fighting may end shortly, said a cease fire proposal had been sent to both Egypt and Israel by Maj. Gen. E.L.M. Burns, chief truce supervisor for Palestine.

Egypt, he said, had responded positively, and Israel's reply was expected shortly. The Egyptian Government Information Department had announced earlier Tuesday night that Egypt accepted the proposal.

The American and British ambassadors at Cairo called on the foreign ministry and urged acceptance of Burns' proposal. An Israeli spokesman charged early Wednesday that Egyptian infiltrators blew up one of the masts of a radio station near Kubeba on the Israeli coastal plain Monday night. (Additional details on page 3, sec. 2.)

Ralph Moody, 'Dean of State's Lawyers,' Dies

Ralph Elmo Moody, 88, known as the dean of Oregon attorneys, died in Salem Monday night following an illness of several months. Son of an Oregon governor and one of the state's most widely known and respected attorneys, Moody practiced law for 65 years, the last 15 in Salem.

Usually wearing a flowing dark Windsor tie Moody was a familiar figure in courtrooms all over the state, where he distinguished himself with his keen knowledge of law, his rolling oratory and his enormous capacity for work on a case. Because of his superior legal experience he was often referred to as an "attorney's attorney." Much of his work included cases involving constitutional law. Was in Partnership

For the past several years he had been a member of a law firm in partnership with Walter S. Lamkin in the Oregon Building. Because of Moody's illness the partnership was dissolved last month. Moody's colorful career as a lawyer covered a variety of experiences. He was an assistant state and federal attorney general, a special prosecutor for Oregon governors, legal advisor to the Oregon Legislature and was himself a member of the House, and carried on a considerable private practice all over the state. He was special prosecutor in the investigation of Oregon labor troubles in the late 1930's, in the Jackson County vote fraud cases. He authored the present Oregon Public Utility District law and in Salem has been a central figure in legal battles concerning federal price laws.

Moody was married in 1933 to the former Regina Elizabeth Johnson of Ashland, who survives. Also surviving are nieces and nephews in Portland and California. Funeral services will be held Thursday at the W. T. Rigdon Chapel, Dr. Lloyd T. Anderson will officiate and ritualistic services will be Portland Elks Lodge No. 142. Concluding services will be at City View Cemetery. (Additional details on page 4, sec. 2.)

Driver Strikes Wrong Object?

BOISE, Idaho (U.S. — Jess Arnold, 35, was fined \$60 in police court Tuesday for reckless driving. Police officers Richard Deal and Donald Jerome said he admitted trying to back his car over his mother-in-law. The officers said Arnold missed Mrs. Alice Clark, who lives with the Arnolds, but hit a utility pole wire. The accident, they said, caused street lights to sag and disrupted automatic signal operations.

Trace of Rain Falls on Area

A trace of rain hit the Salem area Tuesday to give the sector its first precipitation since Aug. 8, weathermen at McNary Field reported. Traces of rain were recorded on both the 8th and 7th of this month. August's bow-out today will be accompanied by morning cloudiness but the outlook doesn't include rain. Cloudiness held Tuesday's high reading down to 65, but temperatures are expected to warm up some today. Outlook for beaches calls for mostly cloudy conditions today, with a temperature range of 54-64.

Baldock Plan for Federal Roads Lops Up to \$11 Billion In Interest

Interest costs in a 10-year federal highway building program could be cut from \$11 1/2 billion to as low as a half billion, under a plan recommended Tuesday by State Highway Engineer R. H. Baldock. Expressing concern at Congress' failure to pass highway legislation this year, the Oregon official predicted that "the people just won't permit such a failure next year." Baldock spoke before Salem Kiwanis Club at the Senator Hotel. The highway department head, answering clubmen's questions as to what he would recommend for federal legislation, declared that he still favors a plan about the same as he had proposed before a Congressional committee last spring. This plan would be a compromise measure between the Eisenhower bonding program and the pay-as-you-go plans which Congress also considered. Baldock advised that the bonding period be extended from 10 to 15 years and that part of the needed revenue be raised by increasing taxes on highway users. Furthermore, he said, he favors earmarking a much larger share of federal highway tax revenue for road purposes. His recommendation was for an additional one cent per gallon gas tax. Baldock said Congress at present has estimated revenue of \$2.6 billion from highway taxes, with

Lineman Killed as Car Snaps Power Pole at Aumsville

Car Snags Loose End of Guy Wire, Second Worker Seriously Injured

AUMSVILLE—A car snagged the loose end of a guy wire and snapped off a power pole Tuesday, plunging a lineman 40 feet to his death. Another workman was injured seriously. Killed in the 2 p.m. accident near Aumsville was Axel (Ted) Theodore Carlson, 28, Albany, a lineman for Pacific Power and Light Co. Don Doubledee, 30, Albany, incurred shoulder and arm burns and was reported in "fair" condition Tuesday night at Santiam Memorial Hospital, Stayton. A crew was installing the new guy wire when the car drove by, caught it between its rear springs and broke off the pole eight feet above the ground, reported William Hahn, line superintendent for Pacific Power in the Stayton area.

The two linemen were working near the top of the pole. The mishap plummeted them to the ground where the pole and 12,000 volt primary circuit power line came down on top of them, Hahn said. The superintendent said other members of the crew immediately cut off the power and gave the men artificial respiration until the Stayton ambulance arrived. Wendel Weddel, Stayton mortician, said Carlson died about the time the ambulance reached Stayton. He said Doubledee appeared to be more seriously burned and it was presumed that Carlson died of other injuries. Fastened to Top of Pole Superintendent Hahn said it was not determined how the car picked up the end of the guy wire. He said one end was fastened to the top of the power pole, and the crew was preparing to fasten the other end to a stub across the highway. Hahn said the guy wire was "either on or across the road" when the car drove by and hooked on to it. Deputy Sheriff Amos Shaw identified the driver as Tharon Stanley Valarida, 19, transient who has been picking beans in the West Stayton area. He was not cited.

Power Outage The power crew was changing the conductor on an existing line when the accident occurred. The incident caused a power outage at Aumsville, Sublimity and surrounding districts for 30 minutes and at the big Willamette Builders Supply mill near Aumsville for two hours, Pacific Power and Light reported. The deceased was a former Dallas resident where he worked for Mt. States Power Co. as meter reader before that company merged with Pacific Power. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Carlson, live at Dallas. Other survivors include his wife and two children at Albany. Services are pending at Clough-Barrick Mortuary, Salem.

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Dulles States Russia Offers Guns to Arabs

WASHINGTON (U.S. — Secretary of State Dulles reported Tuesday Russia may be moving into the tense Middle East situation by offering to provide arms to Arab countries opposing Israel. Dulles said any such arms shipments would in effect violate Russia's Geneva Conference pledge to help ease international tensions. The secretary coupled this statement in response to news conference questions with a sharp reminder that Russia has yet to follow up with deeds the improved East-West spirit which flowed from last month's Big Four Summit meeting. "The important thing to remember," he said, "is that the Geneva Conference was never looked on as an end but only as a beginning. It was hoped that Geneva would generate a new spirit... for the purpose of bringing about practical results..." No Russian arms have yet arrived in the Middle East, Dulles said, adding most Arab nations are now getting their military equipment from non-Communist areas. Dulles also made these additional points: 1. The United States is concerned about the violent quarrel between France and Arab Nationalists in North Africa but has not intervened except to express that concern to French authorities. 2. Vice President Nixon will not visit Russia during his scheduled Middle East visit. 3. Changes may be desirable in an immigration law requiring finger printing of all nonofficial visitors to the United States. 4. Conditions are not ripe in Indochina for nationwide elections called for under the Geneva armistice agreement. 5. The roving activities in Korea of United Nations truce supervisory teams, which includes Communist Czech and Polish members, should stop. South Koreans have charged the Reds with spying.

AF Reserve Enlisted Men Get Pay Drill

The Air Force Reserve next month will start a Salem pay drill program for specialized training of enlisted men. This will be the first such training for enlisted men, with the incentive of pay for 24 sessions a year. It is one of several recent developments aimed at reorganization or expansion of various military reserve programs in Salem. About 80 Air Reserve members are now active in the 9414th Air Reserve Center on Airport Road; the new schooling is expected to attract considerably more, according to Lt. Col. Charles W. Terry, commander of the Salem center. Besides the new non-commissioned officer training course for reserve airmen, on Tuesday nights starting Sept. 27, the center will offer four courses for officers, although pay has not been authorized for taking this training. All courses will add points toward retirement, however. The officer courses are for administrative, legal, flight operation and education-training officers. Those with other specialties will continue in the general training course. Instruction for the new program will be provided for designated staff officers of the Salem center, under guidance from the Portland air reserve headquarters. Enrollment, now being taken at the Airport Road armory, should be completed by the end of September.

Trio Charged In Stayton Robbery Case

Marion County sheriff's deputies and Stayton police combined Tuesday to arrest two men and a woman accused of the Sunday night robberies of two Stayton area men. Charged with assault and robbery were Vernon L. Mallett, 25; his 18-year-old wife, Emily Mallett, and Eddie F. Robinson, 54, all of Stayton. Mallett and Robinson were lodged in the county jail after arrests on Stayton Justice Court warrants. Mrs. Mallett was booked at the county jail and later taken to the Stayton city jail by Sheriff Denver Young. The county's quarters for women are still occupied by several girls from Hillcrest. Bail on each was set at \$250. The Malletts' 22-month-old baby was temporarily turned over to county juvenile officials. Stayton police officer Frank Papanicus arrested Mallett and his wife at a Stayton Laundrette. Robinson was arrested at a bean yard a short time later by Deputy Sheriff Amos Shaw. Sheriff Young said Mallett signed a statement admitting the Sunday night robberies of Bill Hicks, field boss of the Snoddy bean yard near Stayton, and Bert Edwards, a worker at the Dewey McCall bean yard on the Stayton-Mehama road. Both were left stranded on country roads. Young said Mallett told him about \$50 was taken in the two robberies. They will be arraigned in Stayton this morning.

Official to Retire

DENVER (U.S. — John Hammond, chief of the dams branch in the Bureau of Reclamation's engineering office here, will retire Aug. 31 after 39 years government service.

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