

Keith Brown To Substitute New Petitions

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The petition for zone change in the Keith Brown industrial sites, northeast Salem, which has stirred two elements in the city to expression of divergent views and which now appears to be without legal status because it does not carry signatures of wives of two of the involved property holders, will be dropped and in its place two petitions will be filed, Keith Brown announced Friday.

Brown declared that the substituted petitions would offer the council an opportunity to take one of three actions, any one of which would indicate the council's plan for the area, or areas, involved. He and his associates will cooperate in whatever plan the council seems to prefer. Brown told representatives of various interested organizations who gathered Friday under a Salem Chamber of Commerce auspices in an attempt to straighten out what they term "the misunderstanding" which led Cascades Plywood corporation to seek a site elsewhere for its half-million dollar battery separator plant.

Preliminary Plans
The plywood concern, which operates at Lebanon the largest plywood mill in the world, has preliminary plans for a plant covering much of six acres in Conant's addition. Approximately 70 feet of the east end of the plant would rest on land which is now in zone II and so limited to residential construction. Brown and other owners of this and a block of nearby properties filed the petition for a zone change before dealing with the Cascades Plywood, they have declared.

On the advice of the planning and zoning commission, they sought to square off what is now a meandering northeastern border of an industrial zone, majority of which they own. The 70-foot strip of property is part of six lots lying on the west side of North 16th street, three north and three south of what would be Harrison street if Harrison had ever been opened. Neighbors on the east side of 16th street complained at the proposed zone change and the city council postponed action to check the legality of the Brown petition.

The Keith Brown group also owns property south of the six lots, and this southern block of land is in an industrial zone but lies directly across the street from the protesting neighbors, so erection of the battery separator plant is not contemplated there, Brown said Friday.

To Include Six Lots

In an effort to determine just how the community as a whole wants the property he and his associates hold in north Salem to be developed, one of the two petitions now ready for signatures will seek a zone change for both the six lots over which the principal contention has been stirred and the strip of ground between the Keith Brown building supply plant and the state fairgrounds, bounded on the north by Woodrow street. The second petition will not include the six lots. If the council does not approve the petition for the larger change but does approve the lesser, the Brown interests will develop "housing or something that is satisfactory" in the southern strip of their holdings, Brown declared Friday.

Consider Plant Asset
Representatives of labor who attended Friday's meeting declared the claimants should consider the type of plant (landscaping, fine offices, parking area, well finished buildings) Cascades Plywood builds an asset. They pointed out that the Brown interests have developed a desirable tract from a "rat-ridden, marshy dumpground."

Dogs Reported Killing Sheep

The number of sheep and stock killed by dogs this month has reached a new high, Paul Marchant, Marion county dog license enforcement officer, said Friday. J. B. Powell lost an entire band of 20 sheep in the past few days, and Victor Schaefer, R. 5, Salem, recently lost 45 turkeys to the dogs. Others who have had sheep killed or injured by dogs include Roy King, Silverton; Fred Knight, Silverton; Hugh Small, Silverton; Fred Wachter, Woodburn; B. J. Miller, Gervais, and Theodore Fisher. The loss to these men amounted to 24 killed and many more injured.

Turner Methodists to Hold Laymen's Service

The Turner Methodist church service Sunday, Feb. 24, will be a laymen's service under direction of Mrs. J. O. Russell, lay leader. The speakers will be Joe Holt, Sunday school superintendent, and J. O. Russell, superintendent of schools. The pastor, Dr. Robert M. Gatte, will be given the opportunity to occupy a pew while the laymen carry on the service.

IN THE... ★ Nation's Service



Vernita Vera Batson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Batson, has been promoted to yeoman second class in the WAVES. She is stationed at Moffett Field, Cal. and has charge of the educational department. She was assigned there in August and will remain in the navy until September, 1946, as she is rated as essential. She was secretary at Leslie junior high school prior to induction.

Pioneer Soldiers End Brief Furloughs With Polk Families

PIONEER—Pvt. John Gilbert Jobst has returned to Fort Lewis after spending his furlough with his mother, Mrs. Oscar Kegley. During his stay here his mother died. He will serve three years in the European field.

Pvt. Elmo Black has returned to Kentucky after a ten day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Black.

Hartley Returns With Discharge From Duty With Convoy Transport

SWEGL, Feb. 22—(Special)—John Warren Hartley, son of William Hartley, is now at the Hartley home having been discharged from the navy. He was on convoy duty in the Atlantic and for two years was in the South Pacific and with the occupation forces at Nagoya, Japan. He was a machinist's mate. While on convoy duty he crossed the Atlantic several times and was on a trip at the time several ships were lost including one carrying a WAC company.



Allan Robert Touchie, SM 3/c, who is spending a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Touchie, 50 Roberts ave. A former student of Salem schools, Signalman Touchie has seen two years duty at Pearl Harbor, and will report to Seattle for further assignment. He was a special student at Pearl Harbor servicemen's college and expects to continue his education under the GI Bill after his discharge.

Agriculture Head to Attend Farm Conclave

Oregon farmers particularly are interested in the wheat situation at the present time, E. L. Peterson, state agricultural director, declared here Friday on the eve of his departure for Washington, D.C., to attend a conference called by Clinton P. Anderson, secretary of agriculture, to discuss farm problems.

In case the federal government persists in its announced policy of curtailing certain agricultural products for home consumption, a definite hardship will fall on the Oregon livestock producers because of a lack of corn, oats and barley for feeding purposes, Peterson said.

He estimated that the proposed wheat curtailment would mean a loss of \$10,000,000 to the turkey and poultry operators in this state. He said he hoped to gain an alleviation of the wheat order, particularly as it applies to the western states.

Peterson said he also would confer with Anderson, urging re-examination of the relationship existing between the federal and state departments of agriculture to avoid duplication, secure full understanding at the state level of federal farm programs and objectives and to utilize state facilities to the fullest, in order to achieve closer cooperation.

The Oregon agricultural director will be the only representative of the 11 western states at the meeting.

Baby Taken From Buggy, Later Found

CHICAGO, Feb. 22—(AP)—A brown-eyed, four-months-old baby girl taken with its carriage from outside a near North Side department store while her mother shopped today, was found unharmed tonight several miles away in a nursery at union station.

Police Capt. John Enright said the child apparently had been placed in a bed in the railroad station's nursery while an attendant's back was turned, several hours after the baby was reported missing. The carriage also was found in the depot.

A woman who identified herself as Miss Evelyn Pleshko, 25, the mother of the baby, reported to police the child and carriage were gone when she emerged from a half hour's visit at a Milwaukee avenue store.

Enright said the woman at first said her name was Mrs. Evelyn Lieberman and that she had a husband living in Detroit, but later denied these statements as fictitious.

The police investigation of the incident will continue, Enright said.

Frances Clinton is Amity Club Speaker

AMITY, Feb. 22—(Special) The Woman's Civic Improvement club met Tuesday. Mrs. Isaac Bantari is the new president. Frances Clinton, assistant state home demonstration agent leader, spoke on "Family Relations."

CONVENTION PLANS

AMITY, Feb. 22—(Special)—The annual district convention of Yamhill county Rebekah lodges will be held at Dayton March 16. Industry lodge is making preparations for seating the new officers. A covered dish luncheon will be served.

Marion County Red Cross War Nursing Service Recounted

By Marian Lowry Fischer
Red Cross Public Relations Volunteer

Marion county chapter, American Red Cross, established records in many phases of service during the war years, but perhaps no one division of service has brought as much honor and as much satisfaction in achievement to the chapter as has the nursing service—including both nurses aides work and home nursing.

From the start of 1942 until the conclusion of 1945, the chapter certified 348 women as nurses aides, this number giving 59,627 hours of volunteer service in that time. Of the 348, 158 were certified in 1945 for the largest total in any one year. The Marion county nurses aides corps, it will be recalled, was the only such group in the United States to receive the citation for merit from the U.S. office of civilian defense, the award having been presented last June.

147 Still Active
Of the 348 certified, 147 still are active. During the four-year period, 18 classes were conducted, seven of them in 1945. One is now in training to start off in 1946, and a second soon will begin training. Mrs. Floyd Utter is chairman of the nurses aides committee in the chapter. Mrs. H. C. Mandell is head of the nurses aides corps with Mrs. William Tschopp as vice-chairman.

In home nursing, 1725 women were certified in class work during the four-year period, 370 of them last year. During 1945, 22 classes in home nursing were conducted throughout Marion county, and already three classes are under way in 1946, one at Hubbard, another at Chemawa high school, the third in Salem. Others will be organized soon. Mrs. W. O. Widows is the home nursing committee chairman in the chapter.

Doctors Scarce
The war has ended and peace has brought back some of the old-time luxuries, but nurses and doctors still are woefully scarce and will continue to be scarce for a long period, warn Red Cross officials and health leaders. For this reason, it is essential that one person in every family learn the rudiments of home nursing in order to relieve the pressure on already overworked doctors and nurses and be prepared to care for the sick in the home. Also because of acute shortage of help in hospitals, it is essential that all women who can give as much time as possible as nurses aides in helping out at the hospitals, states Mrs. Louise Arneson, director of the nursing services for Marion county chapter of Red Cross.

As the chapter prepares to launch the fund campaign March 1 and begin a new year, special emphasis is being made on the importance of the nursing services in the chapter, 10 per cent of the 1946 budget to be for that purpose.

Persistent Thief Defied by Safe

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22—(AP) David Rosenberg, proprietor of the Auto Glass Replacement company, said he found this note beside his office safe about a month ago:

"This safe is not easy to work on. A burglar can't make an honest living. Will be back later." Today he told police he found the safe pushed into the rear of the shop, badly battered but still unopened. There was no note.

HEAR MISS TYE

AURORA, Feb. 22—(Special) Monday the Aurora Women's club met at the home of Mrs. W. C. Grim, assisting hostesses were Mrs. Fred Dental, Mrs. John Kraus and Mrs. B. W. Stoner. Guest speaker was Miss Marjorie Tye.

Reynolds Allen Tells Details Of Famed 'Shangri La' Flight

Details of the rescue of three survivors from any army transport crash in a high altitude valley in New Guinea with side-lights on the publicity minded officers involved in the project were given in a talk by Reynolds Allen at the Salem Credit association luncheon Friday.

Allen, member of the George E. Allen Hardware Co., was a captain in the army air corps and pilot of the glider which brought out the three survivors of the crash in which more than 20 officers and enlisted personnel, men and women, were killed last spring while on a Sunday sight-seeing trip.

No gliders had ever been landed in this manner at such a high altitude, Allen said, and in addition information on condition of the ground on which the landing must be made was not available. To get information on the landing surface, planes were flown over the valley at high altitude but Allen finally got a view of it from a private plane flying at less than 50 feet above the floor of the valley. It was at this time a native threw a spear at his plane which fortunately went about 200 feet behind it.

Increased to 15
The original three people had been increased to 15 and included medical men who parachuted to the relief of the injured survivors, some camera men and those who built the landing strip. It was necessary to make three trips to bring all out.

The three survivors were taken out on the first trip and when the glider and tow plane was at last free of the walls of the valley, the fabric of the glider caught on something and was torn. Much time was consumed in looking at the tear as it gradually extended until most of the valley below was visible, Allen said.

Meanwhile the plane was in radio communication with the base and was told to land at Hollandia. While getting out of a cloud formation the radio was turned off and for 45 minutes the plane was out of touch with the base. During that time orders to land at an alternate base were sent out.

Not having heard the change in orders, the tow plane went on to land the glider at Hollandia where there was no one to greet them.

Two generals and a large assortment of lesser officers were at the alternate base, well guarded by MPs and with camera men ready to get good "publicity shots" of the arrival, but no plane came. Then the "brass" went over to Hollandia but by that time 5000 GI's surrounded the plane and the camera men had used up all the film, so no pictures could be taken. **No Tools, Wheels**

Regarding the natives of the valley, Allen said while they had no tools, wheels or implements and did not use salt, evidence of crop

Mill Operators Ask Increase In Pine Price

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 22—(AP) Price increases for western pine are required if full production is to be maintained, mill owners and managers from 80 companies in 12 western states were told today.

George A. Holden, Spokane, the industry's OPA advisor, told members of the Western Pine association that increases were long overdue and "ours must be an increase of several dollars."

Wartime production was six billion feet annually, President A. J. Stange, La Grande, Ore., said, but the association's manager, S. V. Fullaway, Jr., said the industry was geared to produce only five billion board feet annually in the coming years. He estimated a 10 per cent lower output in a leveling-off period from 1950 to 1955.

Stange was re-elected as vice president; Homer B. Jamison, Fresno, Calif., vice president; A. C. Lighthall, Baker, Ore., treasurer, and Fullaway, Portland, manager.

GERMAN CARDINAL SPEAKS

ROME, Feb. 22—(AP)—The newly elevated German cardinal, Clemens August Von Galen, told the congregation in the church of Santa Maria Dell Anima today that many Germans, including non-Catholics, considered the pope's selection of three Germans for the cardinalate as "their biggest and only Christmas present."



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Antiquated Air Rules Govern Border Moves

BELLINGHAM, Feb. 22—(AP) Donald A. Bell, airport manager here, said today an airplane was a steamship if it crossed the border to Canada and became an automobile if it stayed there two days—and he'd like to see it recognized as a vehicle which flies through the air.

Bell said "horse and buggy days" regulations were in force and added that an international commission was scheduled to meet in Ottawa on the matter. He did not know the date.

"Airplanes leaving here for Canada have to clear under the customs rules for seagoing vessels," Bell said. Then, he continued, if the pilot wants to remain a day or so his plane switches identity, becoming an automobile,

Snow Reported in Eastern Oregon

Some new snow in eastern and central Oregon and rain in parts of western Oregon were reported here Friday by R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer.

The Columbia river highway is still closed at the east city limits of Astoria, while one-way traffic continues on three short stretches of the Willamette highway above Oakridge. Chains were advised in the Government Camp and Odell lake areas.

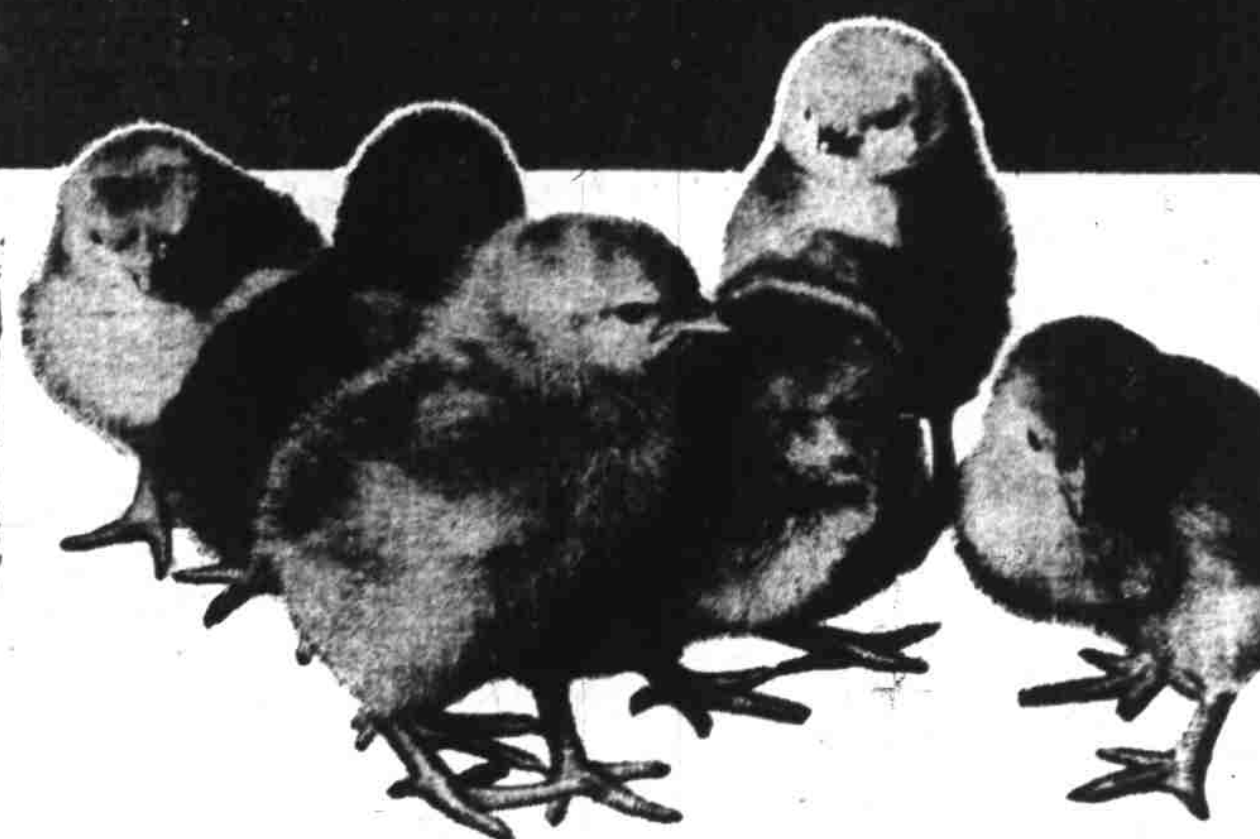
and the pilot must get a motorist's touring permit.

The same thing is true for Canadian pilots flying into the states, he said, adding that flying enthusiasts on both sides of the line were anxious for a change.

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