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Steps to Conquer Traffic Hazards Occupy Council

The elimination of traffic snafus came in for lengthy discussion at Monday night's meeting of the city council and action was initiated to widen Willamette St. north of the city hall and several other of Eugene's narrow streets.

Proposed off by a proposal that parking be banned on sections of Main, Hilliard and Patterson Sts. The widening of the street will be only 18 to 24 feet wide, the sentiment for street widening was evidenced in statements by various citizens attending the meeting.

Some appearing before the council objected to the loss of trees in parking strips, and the council should wait until the summer sessions are resumed to discuss the problem. On the other hand, student organizations own "at least 25 per cent of the property."

That the council members rejected that local alumni association could be counted upon to present these interests. As for the council did:

1. Tabled an ordinance to prohibit parking on section of Main, Hilliard and Patterson streets for widening these streets.

2. Received a petition asking for widening of Willamette St. between Eleventh and Sixteenth streets, and referred it to the public works committee and the city engineer for study and preparation of tentative plans.

3. Authorized the purchase of 18-inch steel ball block from Columbus county.

4. Mayor Earl McNeill tabled out that either the park or the trees had to go and that sound development of the city required widening of the street.

5. The move to push back the line on the Willamette St. section between Eleventh and Sixteenth streets, came with presentation by the city engineer of a petition bearing signatures representing over 60 per cent of the property fronting the street.

6. Only urged that the widening be undertaken this summer and that the growing business developments which will add to congestion on the already inadequate thoroughfare.

7. A remonstrance petition was referred to the council by Judge Clinton Hurd, who was on Willamette in the 1800 block Oak St.

8. Judge Hurd spoke of the costs borne by property holders paving the street and offered alternate plan. Rather than widen Willamette, connect Oak St. with the Amazon, and this route, said, would drain off much of the north-south traffic that now flows on Willamette.

Americans Reject Soviet Complaint Against Air-Lift

Berlin Hears Drone of Yank, British Planes Hauling Food Over Hump

BERLIN—(AP)—The Americans rejected Tuesday a new Soviet protest charging "disorderly flights" by U. S. aircraft flying the allied air bridge to blockaded Berlin.

The protest—latest in a series of more than 30 since April—came as the Americans countered the blockade with assignment of more transports and expansion of facilities at Tempelhof Airfield.

In London authoritative government sources said Britain was preparing to increase greatly the number of men and aircraft assigned to the air lift.

In announcing the plane step-up last night, U. S. Air Force headquarters in Washington said the nine additional skymasters will bring to 160 the total of two and four engine transports at American disposal in Germany.

New Air Strip Workmen at Tempelhof dumped tons of rubble into an excavation for an additional runway. Air Force officers said the new 500-foot landing strip would be large enough to accommodate huge B-29 bombers but added that there was no need for using B-29s in the present operation.

The new runway is being built parallel to the old one and will give the field two all-weather and one grass landing strip. It will take six weeks to complete the new strip.

Steady Flow Despite bad weather at Frankfurt Tuesday both U.S. and British planes were arriving in Berlin on schedule bringing food and essential supplies from western Germany.

The Russians' Berlin newspaper, Tagliche Rundschau, said the western Allies' air operation was being carried out "without regard for the nerves and repose of millions of persons who have not yet forgotten the terror of bomb attacks" and described the air ferrying service as the "circus parades on Tempelhof Airport."

Hauling Coal Arthur Henderson, British Secretary of State for Air, said Russia will have to bear the blame for the economic paralysis "bound to be felt with increasing severity" in Berlin.

Here on an inspection tour, Henderson told newsmen the British-American air armada "cannot of course maintain the economic standard" of the city although food supplies can be kept up.

He said the British planned to open a second airbase at Fassberg, in the British zone, to be devoted entirely to the lift.

RAF planes this far have flown in 2000 loads of supplies and soon plan to join American aircraft in hauling coal, Henderson said.

He said that for security reasons he would not disclose the tonnage brought in by the British. Up to Monday night the U.S. Air Force had carried 11,096 tons in 2721 flights.

'Captive Mine' Strike Over WASHINGTON—(AP)—Justice T. Allan Goldsborough Tuesday announced settlement of the strike in "captive" steel company coal mines.

Goldsborough said representatives of the steel industry and of John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers had agreed to accept the same coal contract signed recently by the rest of the coal industry.

The judge told reporters there is one condition—the UMW agrees to modify its union shop clause in the new agreement if the provision eventually is ruled illegal by the National Labor Relations Board.

At his news conference, Goldsborough said the 40,000 miners in the steel industry-owned "captive" pits will return to work Wednesday morning. They have been idle for a week.

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HOT ON THE TRAIL of a bacteria colony is Thomas H. Thompson, Portland, technician in Eugene with the mobile laboratory of the state health department. Bacteriologist Albert Miller makes up the other half of this crew which is paying its annual visit to local restaurants, Reedsport, and Western Lane communities will be checked next. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving).



Holy Land Truce Hope Growing Despite Battle

US Demands Enforced Truce

LAKE SUCCESS—(AP)—The United States formally demanded Tuesday that the United Nations order an immediate end of the Palestine war and, if necessary, back that demand.

In the strongest proposal yet laid before the Security Council, the U. S. demanded that the cease-fire become effective not later than three days after the adoption of the resolution.

Britain Agrees If either the Jews or the Arabs refused to obey the order, they would automatically be held responsible for a breach of the peace and subject to all penalties provided in the U.N. Charter.

Earlier British sources said Britain is now ready to join strong United Nations action to stop the Palestine fighting.

Previous Russian-American moves for forceful action in the Holy Land crisis were blocked largely because of British opposition.

The shift in British policy was reported as the Security Council was called into emergency session to hear Count Folke Bernadotte outline his views.

Bernadotte said the council must issue a firm order for an immediate cease-fire and make it clear that the use of force by either party in Palestine would not be tolerated further.

By The Associated Press A person associated with the Israeli foreign ministry said Tuesday there seemed every reason to expect a new Palestine truce by Saturday.

The Israeli army and the crack troops of the Trans-Jordan Arab Legion were fighting an increasingly violent battle within sight of Jerusalem. Both cities and an estimated 80,000 Arabs in them surrendered to the Jews Monday. The Legion counterattacked with tanks and artillery and scored some initial success before Israeli lines congealed.

Rejected The informant in Tel Aviv predicted a new armistice would come from modified proposals Count Folke Bernadotte is expected to place before the United Nations. Jews and Arabs both rejected his proposals last week.

The mediator flew to Lake Success and pleaded before the Security Council that halting the war is the first essential. He personally asked U.S. and British delegates to press for council action.

Spies Charged In Croatia Court

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia—(AP)—The Croatia supreme court heard charges Tuesday against 50 accused "spies and terrorists." The indictment charged the Vatican with abetting the defendants and British-American occupation authorities with harboring them.

The mass trial opened Monday in Zagreb. Chief defendant is Ljubo Milosh, former Ustachi commander accused of responsibility for the death of more than 200,000 persons during the German occupation.

The accused are part of a group of 95 whom the Croatian interior ministry said had been picked up by security police as they entered Yugoslavia during the past year.

Accused They are accused of setting out to disrupt communications, plunder warehouses and cooperatives, destroy the Yugoslav five-year plan and finally to overthrow by armed rebellion, with outside help, the existing order in Yugoslavia.

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Meat, Egg Prices Take New Upturns

General Strike Feared in Paris; Traffic Tied Up

Cabinet Strikes Back With Decree

PARIS—(AP)—France faced Tuesday a threatened general strike of government employees which may eventually involve as many as 1,000,000 persons.

Some airport personnel already have walked out, causing a spreading tieup of plane traffic in France and French North Africa.

Premier Robert Schuman's cabinet hit back quickly with a decree which in effect mobilized striking weather and radio men and made them liable to penalties for desertion if they failed to report for work.

The civil mobilization measure, apparently prepared hours ahead of the airport strike, may forestall the cabinet's plans for breaking the whole series of stoppages. The cabinet has rejected union demands for higher wages for low salary groups of government workers. The strike at the airfields was not complete.

Plane Crashes An Air France plane on a flight from Tunis crash-landed and burned at Orly Field here Monday night soon after the walkout of airport workers began. It was not immediately determined, however, whether there was any connection between the accident and the airport workers strike.

The French news agency said one woman was hospitalized. It added that the plane overshot the landing strip and hit the ground so heavily that the tail and one engine broke from the fuselage. One report said failure of the plane's hydraulic landing gear caused the accident.

A dispatch from Tunis said the airport workers' walkout had halted plane traffic in the North African city. KLM, Royal Dutch Airlines, announced in the Hague that it was suspending all air service to France. British European Airways in London said its six flights would not be sent to Paris Tuesday unless the walkout is settled.

Unlike last winter's labor unrest, the new strike movement is being led by the cabinet's anti-Communist allies the chiefs of the workers' force movement which split from the Communist-led general confederation of labor in January. This time the confederation is joining in the walkouts but is not leading them.

Antelope Call

The Order of the Antelope Tuesday reminded Lane County men that there is still room on the Chamber of Commerce bus which will leave Friday for the three-day Hart Mountain weekend. Fred Brenne said the weekend outing is open to any man who enjoys a good time in the wide-open spaces, and that the trip can be arranged by calling the chamber. The local chamber has been given a blanket invitation to bring as many from Eugene as can make the trip, Brenne reported.

Cost of Living Boost Goes to Emperor

TOKYO—(AP)—Emperor Hirohito couldn't make both ends meet last year either.

Given eight million yen by the Japanese government to spend during the fiscal year 1947-48, he actually spent more than 10 million. He dipped into his own reserves to make up the deficit.

Imperial household officials explained, half-apologetically, that high prices were the trouble. High prices, and hungry house guests. The diet (parliament) has upped the budget to 20 million yen for the current year, however.

Sheard Triplets Enter Third Day in Incubators

Katherine Mary, Lee Ann and Jane Ellen Sheard, tiny triplet daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sheard, 1452 23rd Ave. E., entered their third day of life at Sacred Heart Hospital Tuesday.

The little girls, all of whom weigh less than four pounds, are in incubators. One is so tiny she has not been removed to be weighed.

They were born by a Caesarian section Saturday afternoon.

MEAT CUTTERS MEET

Meat Cutter's Local 324 (AFL) meets Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Carpenters Hall, 5th and Willamette for a meeting to discuss points of the new contract, according to an announcement by G. A. Johnson, president.



POLITICAL SOOTHSAYERS Tuesday called this ticket "the obvious outcome" later in the week when Democrats in Philadelphia actually vote on their choice of candidates. Harry Truman is expected to weather any new attempts to bypass him, and Alben Barkley of Kentucky looked good late Tuesday to most delegates, for the number two spot.

Barkley Predicted For Running Mate

PHILADELPHIA—(UP)—The Rules committee of the Democratic national convention Tuesday rejected an attempt by southern delegates' to reinstate the rule requiring a two-thirds majority to nominate candidates, thus almost assuring nomination of Harry Truman and Alben Barkley.

By LYLE C. WILSON CONVENTION HALL, PHILADELPHIA—(UP)—The Democratic leadership Tuesday drafted silver-tongued, 70-year-old Alben W. Barkley to be President Truman's 1948 vice presidential running mate.

Delegates to this 30th Democratic national convention will make it official Wednesday night when they nominate Mr. Truman and the veteran New Deal senator from Kentucky on the first ballot.

The plump for Barkley was announced by Democratic National Chairman J. Howard McGrath at a news conference. Asked if there had been agreement on a candidate to run with Mr. Truman, McGrath replied: "Truman willing."

"I can only say that if the Democratic convention sees fit to nominate Senator Barkley, President Truman will be most happy to welcome him as his running mate."

That meant it will be a Truman-Barkley ticket in the coming campaign against the GOP's Dewey-Warren team.

McGrath indicated he had not received definite assurance from Barkley that he would accept second place on the ticket.

"You ladies and gentlemen," McGrath told reporters, "are going to have to spend the rest of the day trying to get Senator Barkley to answer that question."

Barkley, as he left for Convention Hall, said he would have to make up his mind before saying whether he would accept.

"I don't want to seem evasive," he told reporters, "but I've got to make up my own mind whether I would accept under any conditions."

Alcohol Plant Up For Sale Aug. 20

The war built plant to make alcohol from wood waste at Springfield will be offered for sale by the War Assets Administration Aug. 20, the Associated Press reported from Washington D. C. Tuesday.

Rep. Harris Ellsworth said the WAA will open bids on that date for the Willamette Valley Wood Chemical Co. plant built at a cost of \$3,000,000.

Ellsworth said a number of industrial representatives have surveyed the plant. It is expected that several may make offers.

Local Men Hopeful Currently a group of Willamette Valley Lumbermen are attempting to raise \$500,000 to make the necessary changes in the plant and bid for it, according to H. J. Cox, secretary-manager of the Willamette Valley Lumbermen's Assn. The new company is headed by James Morrell, Oswego, and to date \$175,000 has been raised. It is expected that the sum will be assured by Aug. 15, Cox said.

John R. Snellstrom, president of the Eugene Chamber of Commerce said Tuesday a joint dinner meeting of industry committees from the Eugene and Springfield Chambers of Commerce has been arranged for Tuesday, July 27.

Representatives of the lumber industry from Portland will attend, and Rep. Ellsworth will be present to outline the history and prospects of the plant. Arrangements for the joint meeting were

made through Marvin Sanders, president of the Springfield Chamber of Commerce, Lee Raish, chairman of the Springfield industry committee and Ralph Fulbright, chairman of the Eugene industry committee.

At Least \$500,000 Cox reported that engineering changes in the plant have been estimated at 100 to 150 thousand, but that at least \$500,000 must be raised before the corporation can bid for the plant.

The plant, which was constructed in 1944 and sponsored by the War Production Board, is for the manufacture of ethyl alcohol and other chemical products from woodwaste. Varied difficulties arose, but none of them are believed insurmountable. Attempts at production were undertaken in 1947 by a lessee, the Willamette Valley Wood Chemical Co., although the plant was not yet complete. The plant has been abandoned by the lessee, and offered for sale or lease by WAA.

Poultrymen Say Some Dealers Cheating Public

No Drop in Sight, Meat Packers Fear

PORTLAND—(AP)—Wholesale prices of meat, eggs and butter are climbing again. Steers hit \$34.25 and lambs \$27 a hundred pounds Tuesday to set new marks at the North Portland stockyards.

Eggs were up a cent on all grades at wholesale levels Tuesday. Retailers will pay 61 cents a dozen for grade A.

Butter also jumped a cent for two top grades. Retailers now will pay 88 cents for grade A and AA.

PORTLAND—(AP)—Members of the Oregon division of the Poultry Assn. were agreed Tuesday that consumers were paying too much for too little because of up-grading, after the egg leaves the nest.

Spokesmen said consumers were disgusted with inferior eggs sold under high ratings. One said better enforcement of the state egg law would correct the situation.

Hard to Enforce Director of Agriculture E. L. Peterson said the charges were "over-emphasized" and an "army of inspectors" could not enforce the law 100 per cent.

Peterson said a check of egg grades in Willamette Valley communities revealed up-grading of 11 per cent in grade AA eggs, 66 per cent in AA and 20 per cent in ungraded varieties.

Lewis Clark, Eugene poultryman and chairman of a special egg marketing committee, said: "Most eggs sold in the state are ungraded. Some of them are inedible, and it's damaging consumption. Oregon poultrymen must sell on quality to compete. If we can't compete, we might as well throw egg grading regulations out the window."

By United Press Soaring prices for livestock and wholesale meat Tuesday pushed the price of beefsteak and pork chops still higher at retail butcher shops.

A survey by United Press showed that retail meat prices have risen during the last two weeks, and many retailers said they expect still further price increases.

Tops for Hogs Hog prices at Chicago Monday hit \$30.50, equalling the all-time high. Other record-breaking prices for various grades of cattle and hogs were recorded at many other big livestock markets.

At New York, where wholesale pork loins were selling as high as 65 cents a pound and choice beef brought 62 cents, retailers said they would have to raise their prices to keep pace.

The sharp price rise across the board was attributed to heavy demand and short supply.

Average 3 Cents Retailers said they had been doing all they could to keep prices down, and in many cases had taken losses. The survey, a spot check of 10 scattered cities, showed that prices for seven meat items had increased on an average of about three cents a pound in the last two weeks.

In the 10 cities, this was the price picture:

	Two Weeks Ago	Today
T-Bone	1.07	1.05
Round steak	.98	.94
Pork chops	.79	.74
Prime beef	.75	.77
Lamb chops	1.05	1.01
Ham	.72	.69
Spare ribs	.55	.54

Of the 10 cities checked, Miami, Fla., reported the highest prices and Kansas City, a large livestock and meat packing center, was second.

Weather

U. S. Weather Bureau Forecast: Eugene and vicinity, fair Tuesday night and Wednesday; slightly warmer. Western Oregon, mostly clear with rising temperatures Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Local statistics: Highest temperature Monday, 79 degrees low Tuesday, 46 degrees; no rain in 24 hours ending 10:30 a. m.; total for month, 48 inch; normal for the month, 37 inch; stage of river at 7:30 a. m., minus 1.70 feet; wind at 11:30 a. m., north 9; prevailing Monday, north 8.

Sunrise and sunset (PDT): Wednesday, 5:42 a. m. and 8:53 p. m. Thursday, 5:43 a. m. and 8:53 p. m. HUSLAW TIDES (PST)

Thursday High 3:04 a. m. 3:57 p. m. 7:58 p. m. 8:4 p. m. Low 9:09 a. m. 0:5 p. m. 1:45 p. m. 2:4 p. m.