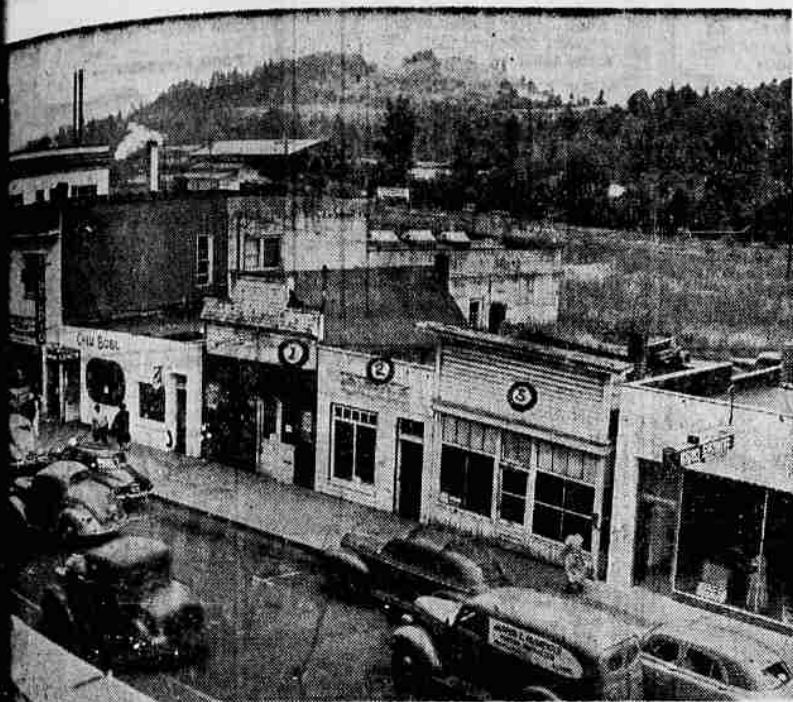




GOING, GOING, GONE... Three of Springfield's oldest buildings, numbered above, are being razed to make way for a modern structure. Building No. 1 housed the Oregon book exchange, and was at one time the home of Springfield's first bank. A real estate office was located in Building 2 and a barber shop in Building 3. Building 1 was built in 1904, the other two about 1907. (Staff photo, Wiltshire engraving.)

## Springfield's Main St. Gets Another New Face, Loses Trio

SPRINGFIELD — Something new, something new. They both indicate progress in this growing community.

While the residents are enjoying the latest in banking facilities at the U. S. National Bank's completely remodeled structure at Fifth and Main, three of the city's oldest buildings, constructed in the square nail era of the early 1900's, are being razed. In their place will go a modern one-story building.

**First Bank**

It is only coincidental that one of these three buildings being torn down housed the first bank of Springfield, not only the first bank in a numerical sense, but also The First Bank by title. This original bank building is seeing the end within two weeks after the new bank was opened for public use.

The three buildings are adjacent to each other between Third and Fourth Streets on the south side of Main. They are owned by Mrs. Maude Bryan, one of Springfield's pioneer residents.

**Bryan Builder**

Her husband, the late Joe Bryan, built two of the buildings, and bought the other after the First Bank became the First National Bank in the then new building at Second and Main.

What was once the pioneer bank has housed the Oregon Book Exchange the past few years. This is the last of the three buildings to be torn down, the other two being completely dismantled over the weekend. One housed a real estate office, the other a barber shop.

**New Building**

The book exchange and real estate office will be housed in the new structure, along with one other business.

The First Bank was built on the property of E. E. Kepner, another pioneer Springfield resident still living here. Kepner became the first president of the bank.

When Mr. Bryan bought it in 1907, he moved the building west

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## 'Third' Session Not in Plans

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — (U.P.) — If Congress adjourns without action President Truman plans to let senators and representatives return to their homes without calling another special session, his associates reported Monday.

The President was resting at his home here before voting in the Democratic primary election. He will fly back to Washington immediately after casting his ballot.

Mr. Truman was represented as ready to let the country make its own decision in the event Republican leaders allow Congress to quit without acting on price or housing legislation.

Republican leaders have made it plain they will give Mr. Truman little or none of the emergency powers he asked when he called Congress into the "turnip day" session now in its second week. They plan to adjourn promptly.

The President has the authority, if he wants to use it, to call the lawmakers back as soon as they quit.

A source close to the President said Monday he will not take this step.

Mr. Truman cut short his stay

here, principally, because of the special session. However, his aides indicated he has no new message or action under preparation at this time.

The President was keeping in close touch with congressional developments, but he was steering clear of politics.

## Chow Meets Chow, Police Take Bow

City police were flabbergasted Sunday when they were called upon to stop a budding "boy meets girl" romance.

Owners of a rather attractive female chow reported they were having difficulty keeping a local male dog away from their home.

"We shoo'd him," said the patrolman.

## CIO Conclave Plans Laid

PORTLAND — (U.P.) — Two national officials of the CIO were in Portland Tuesday making preliminary arrangements for the national CIO convention to be held here Nov. 22-26.

James Gilbey, confidential secretary to James B. Carey, secretary-treasurer of the CIO, and Harry Reed, Carey's executive secretary, conferred with Portland CIO officials on details of the meeting. They have arranged to hold the convention in the Masonic Temple.

The Portland meeting will be the first national CIO convention on the West Coast since 1939, when San Francisco was the host city.

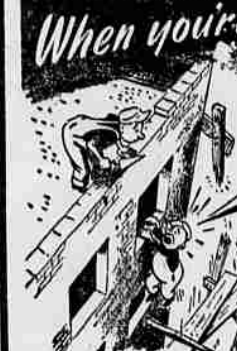
## Price of Wife \$6.50 In Shanghai

SHANGHAI — (U.P.) — Chow Nanting, a refugee from northern China, was broke so he sold his wife to Ma Feng-Wen for 55,000,000 Chinese dollars (\$6.50 U.S.).

Mrs. Chow didn't like it and complained to police.

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several feet to his own property, and then constructed the three other buildings, one of which burned down in 1925.

The Commercial State Bank was the third Springfield bank, and the brick building still stands at Fourth and Main though the bank closed during the depression. The First National Bank later changed its home from Second and Main to Fifth and Main, the site of the present U. S. National Bank.

Next came the Bank of Oregon which was taken over by U. S. National about three years ago. This bank was located at Fourth and Main prior to moving to the present new building.

## CIO Frowns On Wallace Support

WASHINGTON — (U.P.) — The CIO has forbidden members to use its name in soliciting campaign funds for Henry A. Wallace's Progressive Party, it was disclosed Tuesday.

A CIO official said that Minnesota CIO members working for Wallace have complied with the edict. He said California members campaigning for Wallace have been ordered to do the same.

CIO President Philip Murray has ruled that the CIO name can be used only in money-raising activities on behalf of its own political action committee, this official said. The CIO and its political arm are opposed to Wallace.

No endorsement has been given any presidential candidate yet but one may come soon. CIO vice presidents have been called to a meeting here Aug. 19. Many CIO officials expect they will formally endorse President Truman.

The ban on using the CIO name to raise funds for Wallace is the latest step in the campaign of top CIO officials to prevent large-scale support for the third party.

## Local Boys Place In Airplane Meet

Eugene and Springfield prop-spinners won four places in the gas model, U-control airplane meet at Salem Sunday. Portland and Salem model enthusiasts captured all of the first places.

Maury Marton of Eugene and Ken Gardner of Springfield paced second and third in the open stunt division.

Keith Gardner of Springfield was second in the Class B speed event, while Ken Gardner of Springfield took in the Class D speed division.

## Overdue Truck Found By State Policemen

Pleas of a Sanger, Calif. man were answered Sunday when state police found a long overdue truck in Springfield.

Allen Remy, the owner, reported the truck was four days over schedule on the Seattle-Gridley, Calif., run. It was located in Springfield with the keys still in the dash. The driver has not been found.

## CLAY PLEASED

BERLIN — (U.P.) — Gen. Lucius D. Clay reported Monday that currency reform in western Germany, inaugurated June 20, has boosted ration levels and industry to new postwar highs.

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