

Merchants Want Opinion on Legality of Treasure Hunt

District Attorney E. O. Stadter may be asked by Salem merchants to request an opinion from the attorney general about the legal status of the "treasure hunt" that is a favorite feature for seasonal opening events.

Cities League Has Meeting

The time has arrived when well-organized groups must direct the development of cities, Mayor George W. Peavy of Corvallis told a regional meeting of the League of Oregon Cities at the Senator hotel Wednesday night.

Mayor Peavy is president of the league and presided at the meeting after he had been introduced by Mayor Robert L. Elfstrom of Salem.

He mentioned street improvement, sewage disposal, and water supply as major problems with which growing cities must cope. In support of his argument he mentioned that Oregon's population had increased 50 percent in the last 10 years and is expected to increase 30 percent in the next 10.

Deane Seegar of Eugene, consultant and public relations officer for the league, gave a review of legislation enacted at the 1949 session of interest to city administrations.

Eleven Willamette valley cities were represented at the meeting. They were Salem, West Salem, Aurora, Dallas, Falls City, Silverton, Woodburn, Mt. Angel, Sublimity, Stayton and Independence.

In addition, agencies represented were the state legislature by all of the house delegation from Marion county and Senator Allan Carson, the Salem planning and zoning commission, the off-street parking committee of Salem, the long-range planning commission, Salem housing authority, airport committee, all Salem city officers, the Chamber of Commerce, and the state board of aeronautics.

League of Oregon Cities officers present were George Peavy, president; Mayor Hillis Smith of Dallas, vice president; Deane Seegar, administrative consultant; Warren King of Eugene; A. M. Wesley, University of Oregon; and Herman Kehrl, executive secretary, Eugene; and R. L. Elfstrom, past president.

Board to Bar Commies

Washington, May 19 (AP)—Chairman David E. Lillenthal of the atomic energy commission (AEC) told senators today the president of the national research council has agreed that a non-communist affidavit should be required from candidates for atomic fellowships. He made the statement to a senate appropriations subcommittee

at a meeting of the board of directors of the Salem Chamber of Commerce when Jim Beard, president of the Salem Retail Trade bureau, said the merchants were planning the biggest fall opening night event ever held here.

"But we are informed," he said, "that the treasure hunt is classed as a lottery, and is illegal. We need it to get out a crowd."

Several members thought the district attorney should request an opinion from Attorney General George Neuner.

The Salem Cherrians have already arranged to have a float in the Portland Rose festival parade, King Bing Deryl Myers told the board, and financing has been provided. The board, nevertheless, approved \$300 which will go to build up a reserve for the future.

The Chamber of Commerce, Manager Clay Cochran reported, will sponsor a good will trip to beach places on June 9, and expects to take a large number and a band. The new Pacific Coast Lines buses will be used.

The board approved a page advertisement at \$100 for a souvenir 32-page program of the coming Cherryland festival. Sidney Stevens, president of the festival association, says 3200 will be printed and sold at 10 cents each.

The board again rejected making a contribution to a raw material survey of the state sponsored by the Portland chamber.

President Roy Harland told the board that letters praising the work of Clay Cochran as chamber manager have come from various sources, including Senator Guy Cordon, Marsh Johnson, eastern industrialist, and the Paulus Bros. cannery.

The charter membership is growing, with the effort being led by Ed Schreder, chairman, and Eleanor Clearwater, secretary, of the memberships department.

3 Nominated for Lions Presidency

Edwin Schreder, Denver Young and Floyd Bowers were placed in nomination for the presidency of the Salem Lions club Thursday noon. Others nominated included: Leo Reimann, Harry Willett and Percy Blundell, first vice president; Fred Starrett, Robert Fischer, Joseph Felton, second vice president; Arthur Smith, Wesley Stewart, James Beard, third vice president; Vern Young, Lloyd L. Hockett, Arthur Erickson, Don Brazee, Carl Aschen-

brenner, Henry Kropp, directors, two to be elected.

A motion picture showing big game under the severe conditions of last winter were shown with Clark Walsh, director of public relations of the state game commission, acting as nar-

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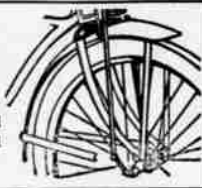
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