

IN CONTROVERSY



Lebanon—Providence church and its fir-guarded cemetery, now one of few remaining examples of the typical frontier church, is again the center of controversy as some of the congregation seek to deed it to the First Baptist church of Albany. A meeting will be held there at 2 p.m. on March 20 to act on the proposal. The original church was built a century ago by Circuit Rider Joab Powell.

New Move Started to Deed Albany Providence Church

Lebanon—A move is under way again to deed Providence church to the Baptist church of Albany, and notices have been sent out that a meeting will be held at the church on Friday, March 20 at 2 p.m. to hear from those interested. The church is located about six miles east of Lebanon.

According to the notices, purpose of the meeting is to decide whether or not the church should be transferred and deeded to the First Baptist church of Albany . . . and whether or not to deed and trans-

Tests to Run In Tunnels

Madras, Ore. (AP)—Two abandoned railroad tunnels in Willow Creek Canyon near here will be used by Army engineers for tests this spring and summer. Nature of the tests has not been disclosed.

Lt. Charles H. Crossley of the engineers' research laboratory at Ft. Belvoir, Va., said here Wednesday, though, that the tests would have no connection with the work of the Atomic Energy Commission.

First indication that the tunnels were being considered came recently in an inquiry from the Walla Walla district engineer's office.

Crossley said about 25 persons would come here for the tests. He added extensive construction was not needed.

Stewart First To Announce Desk Clear

Rep. Loran Stewart of Cottage Grove taunted fellow legislators today with the wagg announcement that "the desk is clear" in his forestry and mining committee.

Stewart's committee became the first in the legislature to clean up the pile of bills referred to it for study.

House Speaker Rudie Wilhelm, Jr., of Portland, said he would welcome similar announcements from other committee chairmen as the session went into its 67th day.

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Civil Service Rulings Made

A fire department officer must serve a full year on duty as a fire captain before being eligible for promotion to battalion chief, the Salem civil service commission ruled Wednesday in the case of First Aid Captain Clinton Hart, who recently passed tests for the higher position.

Hart was one of four captains in the fire department who passed examinations for battalion chief about a month ago. The eligibility of the other three, Percy Clark, Robert Mobley and Peter McCaffery were approved at the last civil service commission meeting.

Commission Chairman William J. Entress explained that the disapproval of Hart's eligibility was not to cast a doubt on Hart's ability but that the decision was based strictly on civil service rules.

Hart immediately asked Fire Chief E. L. Smith to transfer him to regular fire captain duty from his present first aid crew position.

Smith had urged the commission to accept Hart's eligibility. He described Hart as a capable fireman as well as an experienced first aidman who would be difficult to replace at present in the latter position until some of the newer men got more experience.

In other action, the commission approved the withdrawal of the resignation of Robert J. Payne, a former fireman who left Salem but now announces his intention of returning to his home here. The move makes Payne eligible for reemployment when a department opening occurs.

Wives Hosts To Firemen

Salem firemen were the guests of their wives Wednesday night at an annual dinner given by the auxiliary at the Central fire station.

Nearly 200 firemen, wives, children and guests attended the dinner and heard Soap Box Derby Director Bill Byers' talk on the Derby and what it means to Salem's youth.

A scheduled showing of the Soap Box Derby movie, "Where the SON Shines," could not be given as the film failed to arrive in time due to transportation difficulties. An air travel film was shown in its place.

Guests in addition to Byers included City Manager and Mrs. J. L. Franzen and Police Chief and Mrs. Clyde Warren.

'Amber' Author Splits With Third Husband

New York (AP)—Kathleen Winsor, author of "Forever Amber," says she has separated from her third husband.

In a statement concerning her husband, Attorney Arnold Krakower, the 32-year-old novelist said yesterday: "Nobody is to blame for anything. It is a friendly separation. There is no chance of a reconciliation."

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Ike and Taft Forge Firm Partnership in 1st 8 Weeks

By LYLE C. WILSON

Washington (AP)—President Eisenhower and Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.) have formed a firm and powerful partnership in the first eight weeks of the new Republican administration.

That may prove to be the No. 1 political development in the experience of the Eisenhower administration, so far. It has come about more by the cooperative attitude of the senator than from any friendly beckoning by the executive department.

Some observers here are convinced that several of Mr. Eisenhower's most important aides deliberately gave Taft a political hazing during the pre-inaugural period. He was invited, for example, to suggest persons for the cabinet.

The Punch Hurt Herbert Brownell, Jr., now attorney general, conferred solemnly with Taft whereafter the senator was socked twice where it hurt. George M. Humphrey, from Taft's home state, was named treasury secretary without a preliminary word to the senator.

He read about it in the papers. Martin P. Durkin's nomination to be labor secretary hit Taft even harder. "Incredible," the senator exclaimed. Thereafter he led a delegation to the White House and worked out a patronage

system whereby senators would be consulted about nominees from their states. No Taft recommendation was accepted for the first republican cabinet in 20 years.

Above All Else Taft, meantime, has put party welfare above his personal feelings when necessary to support the administration. He voted in the labor committee for Durkin's confirmation as labor secretary.

The senator indicated his attitude toward the new administration when he called the president's inaugural speech "a great and inspiring beginning." Taft would like to move further and faster in Asia than would the administration, but he has conceded that the new president is doing all right there.

Harry and Bess on Way to S. F., Hawaii

San Francisco, (AP)—Former President Harry S. Truman and his wife, Bess, on their way to a vacation in Hawaii, are scheduled to arrive here by train Saturday, Southern Pacific Railroad said today.

The Trumans, traveling on the Overland Limited from the Midwest, will arrive at the Oakland Mole at 2:40 p.m. PST.

Shop Owners Hear Help Offer

Salem operators of shops and factories, about 40 of them, met at the Senator hotel Wednesday night where they got some good advice from officials of the Small Defense Plants Administration on how to go after government contracts.

Kenneth T. Caplinger of Seattle, industrial specialist for the SDPA, described the federal budget as it applies to keeping the supply lines full for the armed services. He told the operators to "examine your consciences and see where you fit into this program. . . . Find out what the government or the prime contractors want that fits into your line of business . . . and dedicate yourselves to the principle that we are going to see this thing through."

"You've got to study your market," he said, "and the government is one of the big-

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gest consumers of the things you make. There is a tremendous array of items suitable for small business." Paraphrasing the familiar classic about the man who makes a better mousetrap, he said that "if you can make some small gadget that the government needs better than anyone else can make it you will find a path beaten to your door."

John G. Barnett of Portland, Ore., director for the SDPA, urged the operators to file with his office a list of their operating facilities, so government needs, plans and specifications on which bids are to be called can be sent to the appropriate shops. These are received daily at his of-

fice by teletype, he said. W. W. Rosebraugh, who presided, commended President Eisenhower for being "intensely interested in the welfare of small business." The help of the SDPA agency was offered in any possible way. Questions and answers followed the talks, and Louis Neuman, speaking for the Salem Industrial Development Council, offered the cooperation of that organization.

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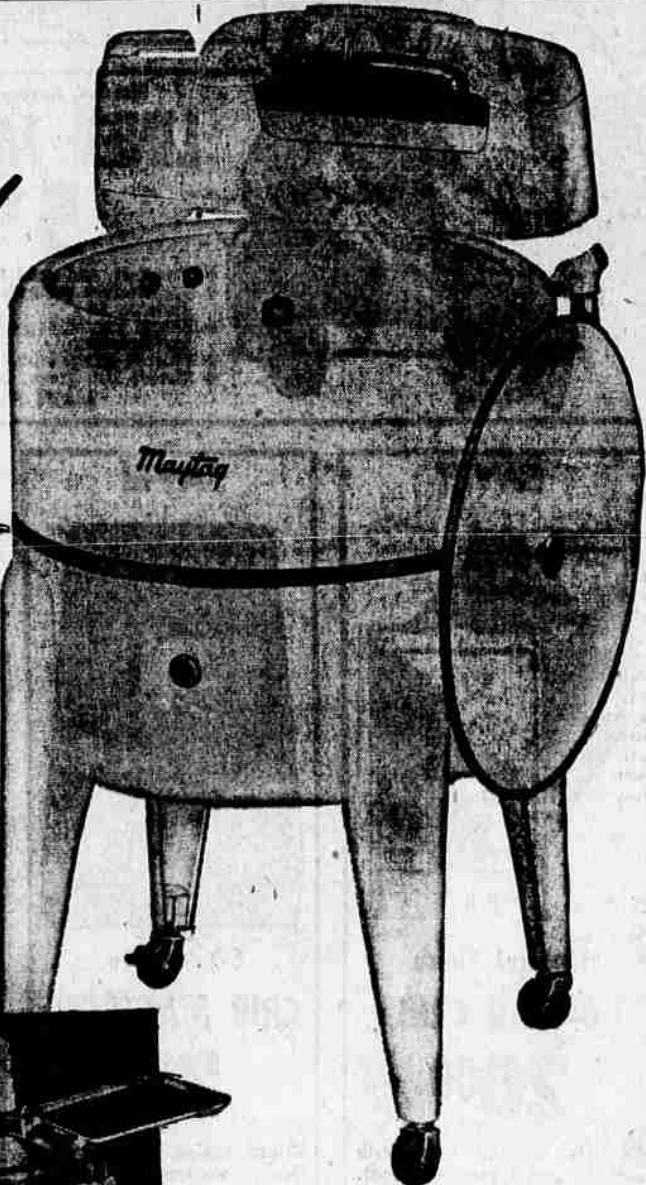


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