

SCHOOL BOARD ASKS \$895,000 BOND ISSUE

Plan to Widen Mosher St. Is Turned Down

Council, However, Will Broaden Military St.; 2 Extensions Ordered

WHAT COUNCIL DID Rejected plan to widen Mosher Street, but decided to widen Military Street. Awarded contract to extend South Jackson Street, and approved plan to extend East Washington Street. Shelved Terrace Avenue improvement plan. Ordered Hunter building razed. Ordered construction of building for police equipment. Rejected petition for a new playground. Heard Mayor Flegel report that he had requested all-night opening of the Greyhound Lines' bus depot. Heard proposal to ban night parking in business areas that prevents street cleaning.

Heading the protests of residents along Mosher Street against the proposed cutting down of their shade trees, the City Council at its meeting last night voted down the plan to widen the street between South Main and South Stephens to 40 feet—at least for the present.

Upon a roll call, six of the councilmen, Bill Adair, Frank Ashley, John A. Hart, Henry Carstens, George West and Harrison Winston, voted against the ordinance calling for the street widening at its third and final reading, and Councilmen Hal Avoite and Percy Croft voted in favor of it.

The action was taken after considerable discussion by the council and residents along the street. Following defeat of the measure, a motion was approved calling for parking along one side of this street only. The city manager was given authority to determine which side would be closed to parking.

Since the ordinance embodied also the proposed widening of Military Street, from the west end of the Oak Street Bridge to Corey Avenue, a separate ordinance, drafted at the meeting, had to be passed so that work could proceed on this strip of road. The rules were suspended and the measure was passed with an emergency clause so that the work would not longer be delayed. Bids will be called for later.

Street Bid Accepted The bid of Rouse & Bell, con-

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In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS THE wires and the air waves these days fairly crackle with political charges and counter-charges. If we believed all of them, we'd lose faith in America. If we did that, we'd be sunk.

Fortunately, we're too smart to take much stock in the bushwah the politicians are feeding us. Our basic common sense tells us that these things are like the run of the sockeye salmon—they happen every four years.

THERE was a time when we were plagued by the seven-year itch. We didn't know why it came every seven years. (Maybe it didn't. But a couple of generations or so ago people THOUGHT it did.) Anyway, it never seemed to hold up national progress. People just scratched and let it go at that. Eventually it passed away.

BACK in the Midwest, we used to have (or thought we had) a plague of locusts every 17 years. We didn't know why they came (if they did) every 17 years, but

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The Weather

Fair to partly cloudy today and Wednesday with morning fog. Sunset today 7:13 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7 a.m.

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Hurricane Lashes Key West Region

Miami, Other Florida Points In-Storm Path

Disaster Units Prepare For Duty; Isle of Pines, Havana Feel Winds' Fury

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 21 (AP)—Hurricane winds lashed Key West today and full gales blew over the Miami area as a big and growing hurricane's center brushed near or over the island city 175 miles south of here.

The eye of the storm was very close to Key West—President Truman's Little White House—at 9:30 a.m., said Grady Norton, chief storm forecaster. Winds of hurricane force—75 miles an hour and higher—will begin to sweep Miami between 4 p.m. and nightfall, it was predicted.

The barometer was falling rapidly at Miami where winds of 35 to 65 miles an hour whipped the city. Firemen battled a stubborn blaze in the Ball Night Club on

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Composite Army Reserve Is Plan Considered Here

Organization of a composite Army reserve group in Roseburg, to be composed of reservists in all branches of the service, will be discussed by Capt. Robert H. Swannes, Field Artillery unit instructor at Eugene, in a meeting in the Roseburg City Hall at 7:30 Sept. 22.

Capt. Swannes spoke at a meeting of the Reserve Officers Association in Roseburg last week, to determine if a composite reserve group could be supported here. He said he desired to call a second meeting in order to bring the subject before reserve officers of all branches of the service.

Capt. Swannes, at the forthcoming meeting, will also answer questions regarding officers' pay and benefits as affected by legislation passed by the last Congress. Air Force officers as well as Army officers are invited to attend.

Major Clyde Adair, U. S. A. F. (Res.), president of the local ROA chapter, said there is a possibility that the 74th Fighter Squadron, a reserve Air Force unit, may be based at Roseburg. There are a number of such units in other parts of the state, all assigned their own planes.

Those who attended the first meeting here with Capt. Swannes included Capt. Leo F. Young, Q. M. C. (Res.), 1st Lieut. Freeman Keller, U. S. A. F. (Res.), Capt. Frank Norton, Inf. (Res.), and Major Adair.

11 Workers Die, 6 Hurt In Truck-Trailer Crash

LAPORTE, Ind., Sept. 21 (AP)—Eleven onion field workers were killed and six others were injured yesterday when an open truck in which they were riding collided with a semi-trailer during a heavy rain storm.

The dead included two brothers and a father and his two sons. All were employed by the L. Donchin Growers of near North Judson, Ind., and were on their way home from the fields when the accident occurred.

Need of Community Hospital Stressed at Campaign Start

The Major Gifts Division of the Douglas Community Hospital drive inaugurated its portion of attendance at a dinner in the Umpqua Hotel Monday night.

H. N. Jacobson, Division chairman, pointed out that an excellent start has been made with \$125,000 pledged so far in the drive. He introduced Dr. R. E. Hanford, president of the Board of Trustees, who stressed the urgency for an adequate number of hospital beds in the Roseburg and Douglas County area.

"There is an increase in population of around 35 percent in the Northwest area," he said. "Many Roseburg patients must go to Eugene and Portland for treatment due to overcrowded conditions here. It will become increasingly difficult for local residents to utilize hospitals in those cities at the present rate of population growth."

Dr. Hanford told how the service facilities of the proposed community hospital are being designed for immediate expansion as needs arise. Money derived from hospital fees will be diverted in two directions: the reduction of rates to the consumer, and the expansion and maintenance of the hospital.

DEWEY SETS FORTH DOCTRINE

Teamwork Government, Record House Cleaning Vowed by GOP Nominee

By JACK BELL. EN ROUTE TO DENVER WITH DEWEY, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Western water and land development was pledged today by Gov. Thomas E. Dewey in answer to President Truman's charge that the Republicans plan "sabotage of the West."

Following Mr. Truman into Denver, the Republican presidential nominee prepared in his second major speech of the campaign there tonight to talk about "our land as the basic resource of our country's material strength."

Republicans were visibly disappointed that rain spoiled their plans for an open air meeting in Des Moines last night when the Republican nominee called in his first formal speech of the campaign for "a foreign policy based on the belief that we can have peace."

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While Mr. Truman blamed the Republicans in his Denver speech for high prices, Dewey contended himself in Des Moines with setting forth a doctrine of his own for the next administration he hopes to head.

In his own words, it was: "Foreign Policy—I pledge to you a foreign policy based upon the firm belief that we can have peace. That policy will be made effective by men and women who really understand the nature of the threat to peace and who have the vigor, the knowledge and the experience required to wage peace successfully."

Congress—I pledge to you an

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Jet Bomber Blast Kills Two Pilots

TULARE, Calif., Sept. 21 (AP)—One of the nation's first all-jet bombers lies in shattered wreckage strewn over central California farmland today, the dedication test pilots aboard it dead.

An explosion heard for miles blew the North American B-45, four-jet, 500-mile-an-hour plane to pieces yesterday while it was flying 8,000 to 10,000 feet over Alpaugh, Calif., 20 miles south of here.

Parts of the plane—big as the wartime B-17 Flying Fortress—fell over an area four miles square. The B-45 was on a flight from Muroc, Calif., air base.

North American Aviation, Inc., which has Air Force orders for 190 of the planes, first of its type, landed dead as it crashed.

George W. Krebs, 30, Los Angeles, project pilot at the controls, first man to fly a multiple jet bomber; and Nicholas G. Pickard, 31, Manhattan Beach, Calif., test pilot.

Churches Favor Courses Again In Public Schools

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Oregon churches should conduct their own week-day religious education programs, the Executive Committee of the Oregon Council of Churches recommended here yesterday.

The churches were prevented last spring from conducting religious work in the public schools, but the committee said it would make a new effort to find a way for the teaching to be held in schools.

The committee recommended passage of a bill to establish a camp for delinquent boys at Timber, Ore., and said it would fight the measure to allow sale of liquor by the drink. Both bills are on the November ballot.

REA Representatives, Sen. Cordon Meet Here

A meeting of REA representatives is being held in Roseburg this afternoon in the Knights of Pythias Hall. Senator Guy Cordon met with a group of top executives, including Dr. Paul Raver, Bonneville administrator, at Carl's Haven for luncheon at noon, and the group next assembled at the K.P. Hall for a business session.

Not Guilty Plea Entered On Drunk Driving Charge

Robert F. Branson of Roseburg pleaded not guilty to a charge of drunken driving in the Court of Justice of Peace Thomas C. Hartley Monday. He was committed to the county jail, with bail set at \$500 to await a hearing later.

Work to Begin On Salvation Army Building

Only One Unit Will Rise Until More Funds Come In to Complete Project

Work is to start immediately on construction of the first unit of the Salvation Army center at Winchester and Wright streets. Although money is lacking to complete the center as originally outlined, construction will be advanced as far as funds will permit with the expectation that additional contributions will ultimately allow completion of the project.

The decision to proceed with erection of the chapel and recreation building was reached at a meeting of the Salvation Army advisory board Monday. The recent campaign for funds resulted in donations amounting to \$11,526 in money and materials, Mayor Al Flegel, chairman, reported, and the board decided to start work at once and endeavor during the progress of construction to raise funds needed to finish the project.

Expected Cost \$13,000. The first unit will be a pumice block building, with concrete basement, housing the chapel, clothing room, Home League kitchen and office. The basement will be used as a recreation room. Anticipated cost is \$13,000.

The building will be 74 by 30 feet in area and one story in height. It will occupy the corner of the large building site, recently acquired by purchase from V. V. Harpham. The former Harpham residence is being used as living quarters for Salvation Army personnel.

Materials to be donated toward construction of the recreation and chapel building were estimated at \$7,250, including lumber, roofing, steel, plumbing, roofing, spray painting, molding, heating equipment, etc. Charles Polrot has offered his services as building supervisor and will be in charge of construction. Many laborers have offered to donate services. Cash on hand amounts to \$4,275.

The recent solicitation for funds was projected to raise money for

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Damage Suit Follows Fall in Bus Terminal

Ida Kimes has filed suit in Circuit Court against Robert H. and Carol Brodie, operators of Roseburg Bus Terminal on South Stephens Street under a lease from Pacific Greyhound Lines, to collect damages of \$7,500, special damages amounting to \$500 and cost of physician's and medical care to be determined.

The plaintiff alleges that she injured both her knees in a fall upon the floor of the bus terminal at 6:30 p.m. May 31, during a bus stop while she was en route from Hubbard to Grants Pass.

Census Boost to Give Oregon 5th Congressman

SALEM, Sept. 21.—(AP)—Oregon's population has grown to the extent that it will be entitled to a fifth congressman after the 1950 census, State Postwar Director John W. Kelly predicted today.

The state legislature in 1951 would have to establish the new district. Oregon got its fourth congressman in 1941.

Douglas County Timber Offers Last Chance For Paper Pulp Industry, Rep. Ellsworth Says

In the vast timber stands of Douglas County lies the "last remaining opportunity on the North American continent" for the establishment of a white paper pulp industry, declared Representative Harris Ellsworth at the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce forum luncheon Monday.

Between five and 10 percent of the timber in this county is composed of white fir and hemlock, he said. From 30 to 35 million feet of these species are cut in Douglas County each year and are available for production.

"In normal times," Ellsworth said, sawmills do not find a satisfactory market for white fir and hemlock. The average mill, large or small, would "rather sell their white logs at a fair profit" than cut them into lumber.



STARTS A NEW LIFE—Ernest Salisbury, 25, who walked out of the madhouse where he fought his way with music back from insanity, is pictured in Detroit with Mary Kula, superintendent of the Detroit Medical Hospital. He plans to earn money by applying his knowledge of music therapy to patients at the Wayne County General Hospital, where he composed his "Eloise Symphony." (AP Wirephoto)

Republicans Of Douglas to Rally

A county-wide Republican rally was announced today by H. O. Pargeter, chairman of the county central committee, for the evening of Saturday, Sept. 25, at the Umpqua Hotel in Roseburg. All county committeemen and committeewomen are being invited to attend, and a limited number of tickets will be available to the public. Pargeter said, Congressman Harris Ellsworth will be the principal speaker, according to present plans. Senator Guy Cordon has been invited also to appear as a speaker, but his itinerary makes his attendance doubtful, Pargeter said.

The meeting will start with a visitation hour from 6 to 7 o'clock, during which time opportunity will be afforded for the party workers to become better acquainted and to discuss their local problems. The dinner meeting will start at 7 o'clock in the Civic Room.

Because reservations are limited and committee members will have first opportunity to secure places, the number of tickets to be offered the public will be restricted, Pargeter said.

Crash Injuries Fatal To Capt. J. P. Fitz-Gerald

VAN NUYS, Calif., Sept. 21 (AP)—Air Force Capt. James P. Fitz-Gerald, 28, one of the few men to fly faster than the speed of sound, is dead.

Injuries suffered when his TF-80 jet plane crashed Sept. 9 near Van Nuys airport on a flight from Muroc, Calif., air base caused his death yesterday at Birmingham Veterans Hospital. He had been unconscious since the crash.

Newby Defends Vote On Sale of Land Without Bid

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Secretary of State Newby today defended his land board vote to sell 280 acres of pine timber land near Bend.

The land was sold for \$18 a thousand without calling for bids. Governor Hall and Newby voted for the sale, and State Treasurer Scott bitterly condemned it on grounds that the law requires that bids be called.

State Forester Rogers recommended that bids be called, and that it be sold for not less than \$20 a thousand.

Newby said the timber was over-ripe and had to be sold quickly. He said it was a good deal for the state.

Illegal Hunting Charge Brings Not Guilty Plea

Raymond W. Carrico, arrested by state police on a charge of hunting game during illegal hours, pleaded not guilty in the Justice Court of Thomas C. Hartley Monday. His bail was set at \$500, which he posted. No time was set for his hearing.

Enrollment Increase Calls For Expansion

6-Mill Tax Spread Over Long Period Proposed; Election Dated Oct. 18

Deemed expedient and necessary to provide adequate educational facilities for the increasing number of children of this community, the directors of Roseburg School District 4 Monday night passed a resolution to place before the voters of the district a bond issue to raise \$895,000 by means of a six-mill tax over a period of years for new building purposes, Supt. Paul Elliott announced.

The program calls for additions to the High School building, Fullerton, Riverside and Edenbower Schools, equipment and furnishings, construction of a central heating plant at Fullerton and Senior High School, construction of a building for an assembly hall and gymnasium at Benson School, and for additional equipment and furnishings for Rose School.

Vote on the bond issue will take place Monday, Oct. 18, from 2 to 7 p.m., in the Junior High School building.

The amount asked, said Elliott, does not exceed the legal limit set by the School District, and can be paid off at the six-mill rate over a period estimated from 15 to 20 years, or less, if increased assessed valuations continue at the same rate as for the last few years.

No increase in the tax levy over that for the present year is anticipated. At the present time there is a six-mill serial tax levy, previously approved by the voters, for a building program. The new proposal would merely mean an extension of this six-mill levy, but would provide the money immediately through the issue of bonds, rather than to have to wait for the amount received under each year's budget. The levy

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Indictment Try Laid to Truman By Ex-Congressman

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—(AP)—A former congressman, whom President Truman helped defeat two years ago, has accused Mr. Truman of "inciting" the Justice Department to seek a lobbying indictment against him.

"Pure politics," snorted former Rep. Roger C. Slaughter, who lost his 1946 re-election bid in Missouri's Democratic primary when the president supported his opponent, Elroy Axtell.

Slaughter said that while he has represented grain interests before congressional groups, he served only as their counsel. Therefore, he said, there was no need for him to register with the Justice Department as a lobbyist.

Slaughter issued a statement yesterday after a Minneapolis grain exchange official said a grand jury wants to see all exchange records having to do with the former congressman. Some newspapers have printed stories that Slaughter might be involved in a "grain lobbying" investigation.

As a representative of grain exchanges and exporters, Slaughter took part in a successful drive to have Congress abolish the Commodities Credit Corporation's power to buy or lease grain elevators.

Missing Plane Sought In Canadian Wilderness

THE PAS, Man., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Plans were hastened today to parachute rescuers into the Manitoba wilderness as ground signals revived hopes for the safety of five persons lost Sept. 12 aboard a U. S. Navy plane.

Flashing mirrors and cloth strips on the ground attracted a search plane cruising last night over the community of Skowman, 100 miles southeast of here.

Aboard the missing plane were Naval Capt. Ben Scott Custer of the U. S. embassy in Ottawa and Capt. Sir Robert W. Stirling-Hamilton of Great Britain. The search already has cost \$200,000.

Dr. A. L. Victor, Former Yoncalla Doctor, Dies

PENDLETON, Ore., Sept. 21.—(AP)—Funeral services will be held here tomorrow for Dr. A. L. Victor, 79, Washburn, Wash., who had practiced medicine in Washington and Oregon towns for 50 years. Burial will be in the Belcrest Memorial Cemetery in Salem Thursday. He suffered a cerebral hemorrhage and died in a hospital here Friday. Before moving to Southeast Washington, he had practiced in Woodburn, Gervais and Yoncalla, Ore.

Levity Fact Rant
By L. F. Katsenatels

Roseburg is again reminded that good, modern schools cost money, but the lack of them costs much more in deficient education and its contribution to juvenile delinquency.