

LABOR PEACE PLAN GIVEN RAILWAY UNIONS

Lack Of Sewer Facilities In Miller's Addition Draws Threat Of Action By State

City Council Defers Decision
Pending Report On Valuation;
City Vote Set On 2 Proposals

A gentle threat from the State Sanitary Authority that if Miller's Addition isn't provided with sanitary sewer facilities, legal action may ensue, was disclosed at a City Council session last night.

But Mayor Albert G. Flegel said he's not worried. The sanitary authority's stand came in a letter to a resident of Miller's Addition, and a copy was sent to the city manager's office, it was reported.

In the letter, it was stated that if something isn't done about the sewer situation, the city may be enjoined from adding any more territory.

This was disclosed by I. O. Bishop, 1211 Ichabod Lane, who appeared before the Council. He said the letter was addressed to a Mr. Peck.

"They condemned the city hall years and years ago," Mayor Flegel said, "but we're still in it." Miller's Addition, a hilly south-end addition to the city, has long presented a problem to the city in improvements.

City Engineer John Loosely outlined the necessary steps for completion of a sewer of Miller's Addition and wound up with the comment, "It takes time — lots of time."

Financial Problem Faced
City Manager W. A. Gilchrist said he'd look into the matter of street lights for the area. The manager said he had talked to Theodore M. Gerow, Grants Pass, district sanitary engineer of the State Sanitary Authority, and that Gerow "realizes the tough problem we're up against in Miller's Addition."

One of the major problems in Miller's Addition, Gilchrist said, was the apparent lack of sufficient valuation to pay for an adequate sewer system.

"It's going to be bordering close (Continued on Page 2)

Slaughter, Destruction Heavy—In Mock Attack

OLYMPIA — "Enemy" bombers pounded Washington's industrial centers with make-believe atom bombs Monday night; saboteurs blasted public utilities and disrupted communications, and "foreign" submarines surfaced off the coast to pour guided missiles on shipyards and defense plants.

The simulated attack from the air and sea and on the ground left "thousands" killed or wounded, and destroyed or damaged homes and buildings throughout the state. It was a test of the state's civil defense organization, and D. E. Barbery, state civil defense director, termed it one of the most successful held anywhere in the nation.

More than 38,000 civil defense volunteers in cities and towns throughout the state manned their posts.

Long Bell Lumber Yard At Hubbard Hit By Fire

HUBBARD — Loss was estimated at \$30,000 in a fire which ripped through the offices of the Long Bell Lumber Yard here Monday afternoon.

Ralph Messenger, manager, made the estimate. He said the loss was covered by insurance. Cause was undetermined.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

From Washington:

"Senator Taft of Ohio and Senator Ferguson of Michigan estimate that a constitutional amendment they propose would hold federal spending to about 25 billion dollars a year. . . It would prohibit the lawmakers from authorizing expenditures in excess of 25 percent of the estimated national income, except for military spending and interest payments on the federal debt.

"In outlining the proposal to the senate, Taft said: 'We are convinced that we can not maintain a free economy in the United States if we spend more than approximately 25 percent of the national income on government of all kinds.'"

Much as I would like to see government spending reduced, I think Mr. Taft and Mr. Ferguson are barking at the moon. As long as we the people continue to vote for spenders, the government will go on spending.

The only way to stop spending is to vote out the spenders.

Orpington, England:
"The Orpington town council has (Continued on Page Four)

The Weather

Mostly cloudy, scattered showers today, tonight and Wednesday.
Highest temp. for any May 102
Lowest temp. for any May 30
Highest temp. last 24 hours 78
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 52
Precip. last 24 hours .08
Precip. from May 1 .47
Precip. from Sept. 1 34.88
Excess 4.08
Sunset today, 8:35 p.m. DST
Sunrise tomorrow, 5:43 a.m. DST

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County Tax Rate Will Be Reduced

.1 Mill Less Than Current Basis Looms

Budget Under 6 Percent
Limitation Set; Public
Hearing Set June 23

The 1952-53 tax millage rate for Douglas County will be about the same or possibly a little less than this year's rate, county officials estimated Monday.

The amount to be raised by taxation is \$429,482.89, which is under the six per cent limitation. On the basis of an estimated 70 million dollars valuation, this would come to about 6.1 mills—.1 mill less than the current year's rate of 6.2 mills.

June 23 has been set as the date of a public hearing on the proposed budget. The hearing will be held at the Courthouse at 10 a.m., standard time.

Of the total budget for the coming fiscal year, the road budget calls for \$2,280,500, all of which will be covered by money coming into the road fund—mainly through receipts from timber sales and rentals from O. & C. and Forest Service lands.

The road budget is broken down to \$500,000 for road maintenance, \$500,000 for bridge construction and maintenance, and \$780,000 for road construction and betterment.

Of the latter figure, \$150,000 is allocated for a sinking fund for construction of the access route from Sutherlin to the North Umpqua timber supply.

Major sources of revenue for the road fund were listed as the following: O. & C. timber sale (Continued on Page 2)

Four Killed in Weekend Oregon Traffic Crashes

By The Associated Press

Oregon's week end death toll was increased with reports late Monday night of four traffic victims.

Three persons were killed on the Philomath-Corvallis Highway. Another died after a crash near Waldport on the Oregon Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Koelling, 76 and 73, of Corvallis, were killed when their car collided with a truck.

Victor Epperson, 36, died of injuries when his car collided with one driven by James Sherrill of Hubbard. A passenger in Epperson's car was injured.

Mickey Terrace Smith, 30, Waldport, died Monday of injuries suffered in an auto-truck collision Sunday one mile east of Waldport.

FACTORY BOON

Shift In Split Second Feature Of New Motor

CLEVELAND (AP) — A 500-horsepower electric motor which can shift forward to reverse in eight tenths of a second may speed the coming of push button factories.

The motor was hailed as "the beginning of the power for the automatic factory" Monday by Reliance Electric & Manufacturing Co. which developed it.

An electronic control can stop the big motor in three revolutions and send it spinning in the opposite direction.

It is this feature that puts the motor high in plans for factories which would use a maximum of machinery and a minimum of workers.

Reliance already has sold three of the motors, two for punch presses and one for a high-speed rod mill cutoff. Each cost about 50 thousand dollars.

Greyhound Buses Again Operating

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pacific Greyhound buses began rolling Tuesday after 79 strikebound days in seven western states.

Company officials said main lines from El Paso, Tex., Salt Lake City, Albuquerque, and Portland, Ore., started operating westward at dawn.

Commuter service also began out of San Francisco.

A negotiated contract grants an immediate 4.5 per cent pay hike to some 3,000 drivers and station employees; a gradual change from a six-day 48-hour week to five days and 40 hours with no loss in pay, and cost of living increases if the federal index rises.

The San Francisco area local of commute drivers voted 128-35 last night to return to work immediately, completing favorable action on the new contract which runs two years.

Main line drivers have been receiving \$7.26 a hundred miles; commute drivers \$1.63 an hour.

Toketee Falls Wife Injured In Accident

Mrs. Gladys Devoll of Clearwater Camp at Toketee Falls was released today from Community Hospital after treatment for multiple bruises, contusions and a laceration on her forehead, suffered in an accident Sunday night, according to hospital records.

She was injured when a car in which she and her husband, Ira, were riding went out of control and left the road as they were returning to the camp.

School Year Budget Ready For Action

Committee Decision
Due Wednesday; Shop
Addition Plan Blocked

The District 4 School Board got an initial glimpse at its compiled works on the school budget Monday night at the regularly scheduled meeting in the Roseburg Junior High School.

After months of examining, discussing and authorizing, the board was ready to submit the outlay this Wednesday night when it meets with the Budget Committee at the Junior High School.

The paper-bound compilation of this work was issued to each member for final perusal before it is handed to the Budget Committee. Total figures were not made available, but it was stated by Board Chairman V. V. Harpham that the tax millage rate is not expected to be increased "appreciably."

The figures as passed by the Board will be revealed Wednesday (Continued on Page 2)

Prices Will Rise On Canned Goods

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prices in many grocery stores go up one to two cents a can Tuesday on some canned vegetables, fruits and juices. Housewives can expect increases soon on a large variety of other foods.

The Office of Price Stabilization said it was granting the higher prices on vegetables, fruits and juices to compensate wholesalers for "markedly lower earnings."

Under this order, some canned corn, green beans, peas, tomatoes, tomato juice, canned fruit cocktail, pineapple, peaches and pears.

OPS said most independent stores will be affected but few chain stores will be, since they normally buy direct from producers rather than from wholesalers.

The agency said it may issue before the end of this month an order permitting retailers to increase their mark-ups on such foods as concentrated coffee, dry cereals, cookies and many canned meats. Canned tuna and salmon would be excepted.

This does not mean the retail ceilings of all canned goods will be upped, OPS said. Officials noted that some prices are already about as high as the public will pay.

'SHODEO' SCHEDULED

Selection Of Rodeo Queen From Twelve Aspirants Tops On May 25 Program

The Queen and princesses of the Douglas County Sheriff's Posse Rodeo will be selected at a "Showdeo" to be held at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, May 25, it was announced today.

Twelve girls have already entered the contest for queen, it was announced, and several more entries are expected.

The queen will be judged 50 percent on her riding ability, 25 percent on her horse and 25 percent on her riding gear. Four princesses will also be selected.

For the rodeo the queen and princesses will be furnished special riding outfits.

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The 30-day advance selection of the queen was scheduled to help obtain the \$500 needed for a top prize necessary to attract champion cowboys to the sheriff's rodeo.

Admission to the showdeo will be 30 cents for adults with children under 12 admitted free.

Also helping in the local show will be the Myrtle Creek Saddle Club, Trail Dust Saddle Club, Sutherlin Timber Riders and Yoncalla Saddle Club.

The showdeo here is one of a series sponsored by the State Association of Mounted Poses which has set forth a program of competitive games with teams to be selected by individual groups to vie for points. The team getting the highest number of points will be awarded an outstanding trophy at the end of the year by the state association.

Dick DeBernardi is secretary and publicity chairman for the posse. Dale Williamson, captain of the competing team for the Douglas County posse, will be in charge of games.

First Reports Favor Rural School Budget

Few figures were available today on results of the Rural School District budget election held Monday.

County School Supt. Kenneth F. Barneburg said Green School District voted 28 to 1 in favor of the proposal, authorizing a 1952-53 budget exceeding the six percent limitation.

He said school officials in Riddle reported the proposal carried 3 to 1 in that district.

Results from the 28 other districts were expected to come in slowly. Election officials had five days to complete counting and turn in their figures.

White House Acts To Close 3-Year Rift

Wage-Hours Proposal
Accepted By Railroads
But Unions Deliberate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three big railroad unions Tuesday studied a labor peace plan the White House hopes will end a three-year dispute on the nation's railroads.

The engineers, firemen and conductors, with a combined membership of more than 150,000, were handed the contract proposal by Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman Monday afternoon. So were the railroads, and they accepted it quickly.

The unions were set for all-day, separate sessions. But they agreed to act as one on final acceptance or rejection.

Steelman's proposal, submitted on a take it or leave it basis, would do these things:

1. Boost wages for men in Yard service by 7 cents an hour, of which 1 1/2 cents is already being paid.

2. Boost wages for men who work on the open road — that is not in the yards — by 2 1/2 cents an hour, five cents of which is already in effect.

3. Give the train unions substantially what they wanted on a highly controversial working or operating rule involving crews which take a train through a division point. A change in this rule demanded by the carriers was described by union officials as the major obstacle to settlement.

They said that if the carrier demand went into effect workers in many cases would have to travel twice as far and move their homes to new terminals.

The carriers had wanted any disputes over interdivisional runs automatically submitted to binding arbitration. But the Steelman proposal does not include a provision to that effect and substantially meets union demands.

4. Lay the groundwork for a five-day, 40-hour work week for a 40-hour week when the change was made. The 40-hour week would take effect on the unions' application by the unions provided a neutral referee appointed by President Truman decided enough manpower was available to meet management requirements.

A four-cent pay boost would go to all men switching from a 48 to a 40-hour week when the change was made. This four cents would come on top of the basic 37-cent wage boost for all yardmen.

5. Put into effect a cost of living escalator clause, tying wages to the cost of living. Wages would go up or down one cent each three months for each one point change in the bureau of labor statistics cost of living index.

Youth Perishes In Icy Crevasse

SPIRIT LAKE, Wash. (AP) — Rescuers paused on a mountain path Monday night as a grief stricken clergyman intoned the last rites of the church over the body of his son who died in an icy crevasse high on Mount St. Helens.

The youth, 20-year-old Arthur Jessett, slipped into the narrow chasm at the mountain's 8,000-foot level while on a climbing trip with three companions Sunday.

He lived a number of hours talking to his companions, as the slipping ice eased him deep and deep into the crevasse. Meanwhile, climbers fought frantically to rescue him.

Late Monday, expert mountaineers were lowered 75 feet into the frigid tomb and recovered the young University of Washington student's body where it lay incased in ice.

The father, the Rev. Thomas E. Jessett, met the somber party as it descended through fog and rain to the mountain lake in Southwest Washington.

He opened the Episcopal Book of Common Prayer and read in a strained voice:

"Into Thy hands, O merciful Savior, we commend the soul of this Thy servant, now departed from the body . . ."

Then the father dropped to his knees, faced the sky, and cried: "My son! My son! My son!"

He rose and shook hands with each of the eight ski patrolmen who had affected the near-impossible recovery.

Uncollectable Personal Property Taxes Erased

Personal property taxes amounting to \$7,438.66 were canceled Monday by order of the County Court as uncollectible.

The order was filed on petition of Sheriff O. T. Carter and District Attorney Robert G. Davis.

Some 150 persons or firms were listed as having uncollectible taxes due, the order notes. Most were uncollectible because of death or inability to locate the persons.

Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

General MacArthur says that no military man should be president of the United States. His statement will be heartily endorsed by every supporter of Senator Robert A. Taft.

DOUGLAS COUNTY
Centennial
WHISKERINO
CONTEST

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OFF CENTRAL
SHAVE MASSAGE HAIRCUT
WATCH BAND
14 LB.
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CAN ANY OF THESE BE MINE? ponders Stewart Stevens, chairman of the Centennial beard growing committee, as he ogles the array of prizes to be given for the best beards in five categories. The beard-growing contest will be judged on length, bushy quality, uniqueness, color or scrawny quality. Three prizes will be awarded in each category. In addition, a free shave, haircut and massage will go to the winner in each class. Other prizes, now on display at the Toggery, range from a 17-jewel wrist watch to a 14-pound ham. (Staff picture)