

State Aviation Authority Rejects Airport Sewage Site Here Osterloh To Head Schools

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Municipal Airport, about five miles east of La Grande will not be the proposed site for the city's contemplated new sewage disposal facility.

Aeronautics informed The Observer exclusively of the agency's rejection to oxidation-type sewage ponds yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Pearce, a member of the aviation board for 16 years, stated that the entire state agency was unanimous in its rejection to the airport site.

1. Seepage; 2. Glare from ponds; 3. Difference in temperatures which would cause cold weather fog; 4. Attract wildlife fowl and other birds and thus create flying hazards.

jection to oxidation ponds at the proposed city property airport area, but several weeks ago threatened to take legal action when the county airport zoning board voiced disapproval to the proposed site.

scheduled here for Oct. 2 when La Grande residents can ballot on the \$344,000 question.

tion Authority of Los Angeles. C. W. Drew heads this regional office.

Osterloh To Head Schools

Named Successor To Mrs. Couzens

Wilbur M. Osterloh has been appointed by the Union County Rural School Board to succeed Mrs. Veda E. Couzens as county superintendent of schools.

For the last three years Osterloh has been teaching commercial subjects at Union High School. He has served on the teaching salary committee and was chairman of the curriculum committee.

Osterloh has been active in civic affairs—as president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Baker, chairman of the retail merchants committee of the Baker Chamber of Commerce and a member of its educational committee.

City Police Make Seven Traffic Nabs

La Grande police arrested seven local drivers for violation of the basic rule yesterday with the aid of radar. Those arrested were:

Leo Rhodes Lewis, 39, 1002 Third St., stopped at 4:12 p.m. at the intersection of Fourth and M for traveling 29 miles per hour in a 20 mile zone. Lewis was released on \$7 bail.

Orville Andrews Lee, 49, 1414 Walnut St., picked up in a school zone between Fourth St. and M Ave. at 3:47 p.m. Bail was set at \$12.

Donald Dale Chandler, 33, 1404 Cherry St., arrested at 4:20 p.m. at the intersection of Fourth and M. Bail was set at \$10.

Leonard Lamar Winn, 29, 2414 N. Fir St., charged with violation of the basic rule on Willow St. at 3:31 p.m. He was released on \$10 bail.

Merlen Bethel Davis, 1105 E Ave., charged with traveling 35 miles per hour in a 20 mile zone on Fourth St. Davis posted \$10 bail and was released.

Elsa Marie Hammond, 48, 2004 First St., charged with exceeding the 20 mile zone by 10 miles per hour. She was picked up at 3:25 p.m. and released on \$10 bail.

A teen-age driver was picked up at 3:38 p.m. for traveling 32 miles per hour in a 20 mile zone.

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Crowds Again Cool To Nikita In Broadway Tour Of Red Boss

Says Ike Is Great American

NEW YORK (UPI)—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev said today President Eisenhower had shown great political wisdom by taking the not universally approved step of inviting the Russian leader to America.

Khrushchev came to the nation's biggest city from Washington to start his coast to coast tour. He encountered another large and curious but cool and almost silent reception.

An estimated 80,000 lunchtime New Yorkers stood 10 deep on downtown streets beneath the towering skyscrapers as the world's No. 1 communist was whisked 23 blocks from Pennsylvania Railroad Station to a mayor's luncheon in his honor at the Commodore Hotel.

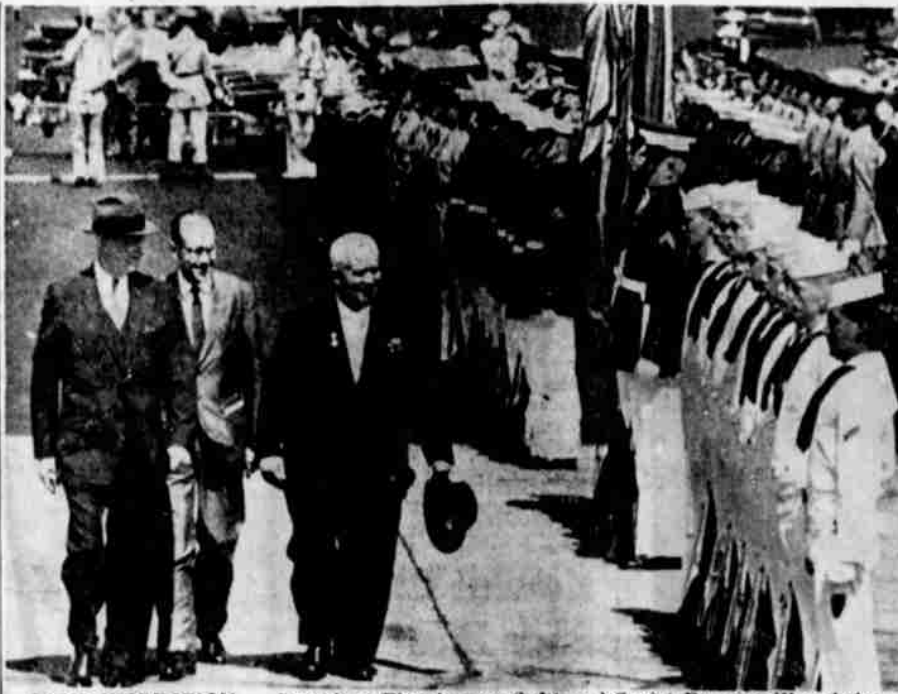
It was there that Khrushchev commented on being invited to the United States by Eisenhower. "We respect him for his role in World War II as an ally," Khrushchev said, "and my respect has grown because to have invited me here called for will power."

"Not every American would have made this step," Khrushchev said. "He is a great man, who understands great politics."

The Premier, his wife, family and official party came here on a special 15-car train from Washington.

There was polite clapping from a few persons and an occasional isolated cheer. But, as he had in Washington, Khrushchev again got mainly the silent treatment.

Khrushchev brought with him a new disarmament proposal which he will unveil Friday in a major speech to the United Nations.



RIGID INSPECTION — President Eisenhower (left) and Soviet Premier Khrushchev walk past the honor guard after Khrushchev's arrival at Andrews Air Force Base, Md. In the center is Alexander Akalovsky, the interpreter.

U.S. Fails To Put Satellite Upstairs

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—The United States apparently failed today in an effort to put a 265-pound global navigation satellite into orbit around the earth.

A tall Thor-Able rocket shot the satellite aloft at 7:34 a.m. p.d.t., but the Defense Department announced that the rocket's third stage apparently failed to fire, and it must be assumed that the satellite did not orbit.

As scientists here awaited further word on the firing, other scientists were readying the 11th and final Vanguard rocket for a try at orbiting a 50-pound space-

X15 Rocket Plane Flown

EDWARDS AFB, Calif. (UPI)—An X15 manned rocket plane flashed through desert skies in a six-minute powered flight for the first time today and the test pilot reported "everything worked perfectly" in this "Kitty Hawk" venture opening the way to human space travel.

Oliver Scott Crossfield, 38, icy calm after his epic flight, said, "I just pushed the switches, that's all. The actual success of a flight like this rests with the airplane. If it works right, I can fly it."

The engineer-pilot, who followed the plane from the drawing board to its first powered flight in more than two years of research and construction, was asked if the test was timed to coincide with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev's visit, he replied, "We have more important things to do up here."

Commission Calls Off Bond Election

City commissioners, in a hastily called meeting, have postponed the scheduled Oct. 2 bond election vote on a proposed new \$334,000 sewage treatment plant.

They cited the reason for shortage of time between now and the bond voting date of early October because a court ruling would be necessitated over objections to the Municipal Airport plant site.

Commissioners decided to look for an alternate site for the treatment plant and also are studying advisability of taking the matter to court at a later date.

TB Test Program Set Here

The Mantoux tuberculin test will be given to approximately 2,000 students in Union County during the latter part of September and October.

Testing will be done by the Union County Health Department and is sponsored by the Union County Tuberculosis and Health Association.

The test will be given to all junior and senior high school students. Request slips will be given to students for signatures of parents.

The Mantoux tuberculin test is used to detect tuberculosis germs in the body and was discussed in some detail at high school assemblies throughout the area by Donald Harmon, director of case-finding for the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health Association. He explained the test to students in Elgin, Imbler, Union and La Grande.

Five County Cases
The mobile chest X-ray units of Oregon State Board of Health no longer offer chest x-rays to persons under the age of 21. It is for that reason that association officials are urging parents to take advantage of the testing program.

Last year there were 572 tuberculosis unknown cases of tuberculosis in Oregon. Five of the cases were in Union county.

The tests will be given Monday at Elgin and Tuesday at Imbler. Union school students will be given the test on Monday, Sept. 28, with testing due at the La Grande Junior High School on Tuesday, Sept. 29.

The testing will be concluded Tuesday, Oct. 6, at the La Grande High School.

The test was given at Island City last Tuesday.

Massive NYC Security Forces To Guard Khrushchev's Visit

NEW YORK (UPI)— Massive security forces took fantastic precautions today to protect the life of Nikita S. Khrushchev in this not-so-diplomatic metropolis.

Authorities entrusted with Khrushchev's safety said New York was potentially the most dangerous place he will visit on his coast-to-coast tour.

The uncertain reaction of New York's large population of Iron Curtain refugees to the Russian premier's visit added to the problems of protecting him in its narrow, crowded streets closely bordered by many-windowed buildings.

"Washington was never like this," said chief police inspector Thomas A. Nielson. "We will have to maintain maximum security at all times."

Dave Slight New Acting City Manager

David C. Slight was appointed city manager, pro tem, at the city commission's regular meeting last night.

Slight, who has previously handled the position in the city manager's absence, was given the position at an annual salary rate of \$8,400. The appointment was effective Sept. 1.

Fred J. Young, former city manager, offered his resignation late in August to be effective Sept. 12. Slight has filled the position of city manager during the first part of the month while Young concluded his affairs.

Ordinances Read
Two ordinances were read third and final readings and approved by the city commission at last night's meeting. No. 1908 authorized the city commission to make a deed of conveyance to the State of Oregon for property north-west of the army in La Grande.

The second resolution adopted the engineer's report on improvement district No. 247. The district is on K Ave. between 11th Street and Hill Avenue.

Commissioners also voted to approve a renewal of the city's lease with the Mavericks Club at an annual fee of \$100. Acting on the recommendation of Slight, they agreed to renew the lease for a period of five years. The city has maintained a rock crusher site on the club's property for the past 10 years at no cost. The last lease expired in December of 1958.

Lease Approval
Slight recommended approval of the lease on the grounds that the present site offers a short haul for city trucks. The city has a portion of the club's property fenced off for use by city-owned equipment.

A low bid of \$1,500 was accepted by the commission from the Oregon Tractor Co. to furnish the truck with a three-quarter ton pickup with the commission on Sept. 17.

Gov. Averell Harriman's home, a Waldorf-Astoria dinner, and visits to the United Nations and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt's Hyde Park estate.

Student 'Chokes To Death' On Raw Liver During Hazing

LOS ANGELES (UPI)—A University of Southern California student choked to death early today on a large piece of raw liver fed him as part of his initiation into a fraternity.

Richard Swanson, 21, a pre-dental student, collapsed at the Kappa Sigma Fraternity house when the piece of meat lodged in his throat. Police said the piece of liver weighed about a quarter of a pound.

An ambulance was called, but the estimated 50 fraternity members and pledges at the scene apparently were too frightened to tell the ambulance driver what had happened.

Driver Nathan Ruben said: "I got practically no cooperation at all. If someone had told me what had happened I might have been able to save him."

Ruben said Swanson was still alive when he arrived. "The told me he had spasms of the throat," he said. "I reached my finger in his throat, but I couldn't feel anything."

Ruben said he tried to keep Swanson breathing until firemen with a resuscitator arrived. They huddled Swanson in the ambulance and sped to Central Receiving Hospital, but it was too late. The youth had died.

"If only someone had told me," said Ruben. "I was working in the dark and didn't have a chance and neither did the kid."

Detective Sgt. Robert Thompson said Swanson's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Swanson, Hollywood, were called to the hospital.

All of the members of the fraternity were there also. Thompson said. But the parents never spoke to them or asked them any questions. They were too shocked by the sudden death, said Thompson. The elder Swanson is a dentist and has one other son, A.L. Swanson, also a dentist.

Thompson said one youth, Kappa Sigma President Dan Hayes, 20, was being questioned.

"If we book him it will be for manslaughter because none of the boys spoke up and told Ruben what actually had happened."

Thompson said Swanson was one of the first of about 12 pledges ordered to swallow the liver as part of the initiation.

Rainbow Girls To Meet
NORTH POWDER (Special)—The Faith Assembly Order of Rainbow Girls will hold a special meeting to elect officers Monday.

Students' Pictures
NORTH POWDER (Special)— Pictures were taken of the entire North Powder school enrollment last week by a La Grande photo studio.

WEATHER
Increasing clouds with occasional rain late tonight and Friday; highs 60-65; low 36-42.



ADDED TO EOC FAMILY
New to the Eastern Oregon College faculty and to La Grande is Howard L. Bailey, assistant professor of mathematics, shown here with his family. From left, Jimmy, Mrs. (Juanita) Bailey, Jean, Dorothy, Mr. Bailey, and Peggy. The Baileys moved to La Grande from Klamath Falls. The new EOC prof has attended Stanford University, has his B.A. and M.Ed. from the University of Oregon and a M.S. from Oregon State. He has taught in both the Portland and Klamath Falls public schools. (EOC Photo)