



AUNT JEMIMA OFFICIALLY WELCOMED

Aunt Jemima was welcomed to La Grande yesterday afternoon by Arlo Noyes, (left) representing the city, and Francis Snodgrass, Chamber of Commerce manager. Aunt Jemima (center) will be in La Grande today and tomorrow, with a full schedule of appointments. She is being sponsored here by the Kiwanis Club and will appear at the group's pancake feed at the Armory tomorrow night. (Observer)

FIND USE FOR SMALL CARS

BARI, Italy (UPI)—Who said there's no space inside those little Italian cars? Two rustlers Wednesday managed to stuff a stolen cow into a Fiat 600, with only its horns poking out the window. They abandoned the car and cow and fled when a police car chased them. It took the police a quarter of an hour to get the cow out of the car.

Reveal New Hazards In Outer Space

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Ballonist Malcolm D. Ross said today that a newly discovered radiation hazard makes manned flight in solar space "appear quite unrealistic" for the time being. Cmdr. Ross, whose many balloon flights for the Office of Naval Research have made scientific history and won him world acclaim, referred to unpredictable outbursts on the sun which fill solar space with swarms of highly penetrating particles. This new hazard is in addition to that of the so-called Van Allen belts, zones of energetic particles discovered in the earth's magnetic field by the Explorer satellites and Pioneer moon probes. The new radiation, Ross said, make the dangers of the Van Allen belts "seem pale by comparison."

Measurements made by University of Minnesota scientists indicate that when a giant solar flare occurs, a space traveler in the sun's system might receive a radiation dose of 1,000 Roentgens in an hour.

According to present theory, Ross pointed out, just 30 minutes of exposure to this new hazard in space would prove fatal to half of a spaceship's occupants.

Even at balloon heights of 80,000 to 90,000 feet the radiation intensity during flares amounts to 10 Roentgens an hour. At the higher altitudes of space flight, Ross said, shielding would have to be so heavy that it "may not be a practical solution."

More Than 3,600 Qualified To Vote On Bond Issue Here

POLLS OPEN NOON FRIDAY ON SEWAGE PLANT BALLOT

By GRADY PANNEL, Observer Staff Writer

More than 3,600 residents of La Grande are eligible to ballot tomorrow in the special \$360,000 sewage bond referendum, and indications point to a large turnout of voters. The polls will be open from noon until 8 p.m. Voters will cast their ballots at the following places:

Presbyterian church, Sixth Street and Spring Avenue, for all legal voters residing south of the right-of-way of the main line of the Union Pacific Railroad; the La Grande Garden Club, 1309 Y Ave., for legal voters living north of the right-of-way of the UP main line.

People who cannot get to the polls Friday can cast absentee ballots today at the city recorder's office.

Despite bitter opposition from Island City area residents, who oppose the oxidation type sewage facility on the 230-acre Rex Griggs ranch northeast of La Grande, the issue could be fairly close.

2nd Election? "We will call for another bond election within 30 or 60 days," according to Dr. Gordon Clarke.

BOND PASSAGE COURT CASE?

The observer learned exclusively today that passage of the \$360,000 sewage bond issue could end up as a legal matter before the Oregon Supreme Court.

Dr. William Pearce, senior member locally of the State Board of Aeronautics, said that zoning laws as applied at Municipal Airport place the proposed lagoon treatment plant site within jurisdictional control of the SBA.

"Some of the finest legal minds in Oregon and the U.S. drew up these laws. If they are not complied with, then, it's up to the courts to rule on them," Dr. Pearce advised.

"I personally believe the law is binding in this case, and it applies here," he added.

Norm Daniels, chairman of the Airport Zoning Board, declined specific comment. He did say, however, that the board had zone control within a 15,000-foot radius. "We have not discussed this issue," he commented.

MISSILE SITE READIED CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (UPI)—Launching facilities for one of the nation's newest ballistic missiles, the 700-mile range Pershing, will be completed here within the next few weeks. The two-stage Pershing is a solid-fuel rocket.

president of the city commission. A second referendum would be for construction of a new mechanical sewage plant rather than the lagoon system now called for.

Should a second special election fail? "The matter would be placed in the hands of the State Sanitary Authority," Clarke said. There was an added implication that the state, then, would come in and build a sewage plant, with the city having to foot the bill.

The entire matter of a new sewage plant was lost almost in the shuffle of correspondence between city officials, consulting engineers and state health officials until several weeks ago when the issue began to gather steam.

The sewage question reached a boiling point this week after it was disclosed that the Griggs property, about half way between La Grande and Island City, had been acquired by the city with a purchase option for \$80,500. On this property the oxidation ponds would be constructed.

With the boiling stage reached and an eruption likely from the Island City area, city commissioners met with valley property owners at Island City Monday night. It was a heated session.

Charges by irate property owners varied from mild to extreme. There were even veiled threats of legal action.

That meeting was in contrast to Tuesday night's session before La Grande residents at the junior high school. City fathers had the horse-power here, and even the weather was in their favor, some said.

Questions Answered Reports by a consulting engineer and regional State Sanitary Authority man left little room for dissenting discussion. Every question asked was answered with apparent logic.

The meeting boiled down to one main point, Clarke said: "We simply have to face the facts. Our present sewage plant is not up to current health standards. The issue is this, gentlemen, we need a new sewage plant." The issue will be decided at the polls Friday.



CAROLE MARKS New Police Matron

Brooklyn Racketeer Murdered

NEW YORK (UPI)—A convicted Brooklyn policy racketeer was murdered Wednesday night by two masked gunmen who wounded him on a busy street and then calmly followed him into a tavern to finish the job.

The victim, Frank (Frankie Shots) Abbatemarco, 59, was hit in the face and stomach with a total of eight bullets. He died in a hospital without regaining consciousness.

Abbatemarco, who was reported to be the head of a million-dollar policy ring, was in a tavern chatting with his bartender cousin, Anthony Cardello shortly before 8 p.m.

When he left the tavern two masked gunmen stepped out of a parked car and confronted him. Abbatemarco attempted to flee and the gunmen opened fire.

The wounded racketeer staggered back into the tavern. The assassins followed him with guns blazing.

Cardello and the bar's only patron dived behind the bar while the gunmen stalked the bleeding Abbatemarco.

When Abbatemarco fell on the tavern floor, the gunmen calmly pumped four more bullets into him, looked him over to make sure he was dead and then ran back to their waiting car. They dropped a .32 caliber revolver on the sidewalk and sped away.

Two New Appointments On The Force

The appointment of two persons to fill vacancies in the La Grande police department has been announced by Chief Oliver Reeve.

Carole Lee Marks, 23, was named to the position of clerk-matron, effective Oct. 28.

David Vernon Lester, 27, was named to post of patrolman with the department, effective Nov. 1. Mrs. Marks is a 1953 graduate of La Grande High School and was born and raised in the city. She served 10 months with the U.S. Air Force in a communications squadron at Fort Worth, Tex.

Is Married

The new matron is married and the mother of two children. Her husband is presently serving with the Air Force and will return to La Grande following completion of service.

Lester was also born in La Grande and graduated from La Grande High School in 1949. He served with the Air Force and was discharged in 1953.

The past two years he has served as correctional officer at the Oregon State Penitentiary. Lester is married and the father of one child. He fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Gaylen Searles. The two appointments bring the department back to full strength.

British Laborite Wins Nobel Prize

OSLO, Norway (UPI)—Philip Noel-Baker, a British Labor party member of Parliament who has campaigned vigorously for world disarmament for more than 30 years, won the Nobel peace prize today.

The Norwegian Storting (Parliament) awarded the prize, which carries a cash award of \$42,000, to the 70-year-old elder statesman on his 50th birthday.

But Noel-Baker, descended from a family with Quaker and pacifist traditions, had devoted the greater part of his life to working for international peace and cooperation.

He was instrumental in founding the League of Nations and was one of the earliest members of its secretariat. He also was a moving spirit in founding the United Nations.

Cubans Open Fire On U.S. Home Of Castro Supporter

HAVANA, Cuba (UPI)—Three men dressed in military uniforms and carrying rifles fired on American-born Maj. William Morgan's house Wednesday night in an apparent assassination attempt, it was disclosed today. One of the attackers was captured.

Morgan is a Castro supporter and holds the rank of "commandante," or major, in the Cuban revolutionary forces.

The search for missing Cuban Army Commander Maj. Camillo Cienfuegos, meanwhile, went into its eighth day in an atmosphere of deepening mystery.

Award Road Contract On Indian Reservation

PORTLAND (UPI)—A \$42,930 contract for surfacing 3.36 miles of the Hall-Toyolap road on the Umatilla Indian Reservation has been awarded to Russell Olson Construction Company of Pendleton.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs said the project is located about 10 miles east of Pendleton and involves select borrow and crushed aggregate surfacing. The Olson bid was one of six.

City To Take Down Traffic Control Sign Near Market

Carl G. Helm Jr., city attorney, has returned a favorable opinion to the city commission regarding the protest by Attorney S. H. Burleigh and Albertson's Market in the Adams Ave. no left turn signs on Adams Avenue.

The commission voted last night to have the signs removed and directed Police Chief Oliver Reeve to request the State Highway Commission to take the signs down.

Burleigh had charged the commission with an "unconstitutional and discriminatory" action in the placing of the signs.

Helm told the commission that the city or the highway commission does have the authority to limit left turns and the authority may be enforced by the agency having charge of traffic enforcement or engineering.

Traffic Hazard In reply to the charge that the action was discriminatory, the attorney told commissioners that this was a factual determination and that discrimination could not be maintained. The existence of traffic hazards, highway traffic and large parking areas create a potential danger, he said.

"The regulation is proper and could be enforced," Helm said.

Helm explained the alternatives available to the commission. They could have a test case and proceed up to the Oregon Supreme Court for a final decision on the matter or they could remove the signs.

Commissioners decided the cost of litigating the matter would be excessive for the issue at stake and directed Reeve to have the signs removed.

Okeh Package Liquor License For Market

City commissioners approved the renewal of packaged liquor license for Chris' Foods, 1204 Spring Ave., at last night's meeting.

The application was approved by Police Chief Oliver Reeve. Chris' Foods is operated by Marion M. Christensen.

Midwest Area Gripped By Snow Storm; 8 Traffic Deaths Result

United Press International

Wet snow turned the Twin Cities area of Minnesota into a sprawling traffic jam today and other storms gave motorists headaches across parts of the Midwest.

Eight deaths were blamed on road conditions in the West and Midwest. Four in Wisconsin and one each in Iowa, Illinois, Montana and Colorado in a 48-hour span.

A Minneapolis police dispatcher said "it's a mess" in the Twin Cities and fender-bender collisions were so numerous that police were forced to confine their on-the-spot handlings to those in which personal injuries were involved.

Some drivers reported they took 90 minutes or more to travel eight or 10 miles.

A few schools were closed in southern Minnesota because buses could not run, and strong winds whipped the state.

Other schools were closed in northwest Iowa because roads were overlaid with snow which measured up to four inches deep at Sioux City and drifted deeper in other spots. Sioux City reported a rash of minor motor accidents and trees and power lines in the area were damaged by high winds.

Driving was hazardous in parts of northern Wisconsin, and the Michigan Highway Department issued its first road condition report of the season, reporting generally slippery conditions on roads in a nine county area of western upper Michigan. Strong winds and blowing snow swept over most of Kansas, where a hard freeze was expected tonight.

Montana had snow 14 inches deep in spots, and some night temperatures of 10 below zero.

While the North Central states reeled under the near-blizzard

blast, house-wrecking winds whipped through Dixie, causing thousands of dollars in damage. Two tornadoes were reported in Texas.

In contrast to the winter conditions west of the Mississippi, most of the East had summerlike weather Wednesday.

Outside the storm area Spokane, Wash., reported its first snow of the season and rain mixed with snow brought out snowplows on northwestern Iowa highways.

Theta Delta Phi Confab At EOC

The district convention of Theta Delta Phi, men's scholastic honorary, is scheduled for Eastern Oregon College Friday and Saturday.

Pat Kirkin, junior from Baker and president of the EOC chapter, indicated delegates from Southern Oregon College, Oregon College of Education, and Portland State will attend.

Feature of the two-day conference will be the Friday banquet with Willard Carey, La Grande attorney, as speaker. The business sessions are scheduled Saturday at 9 a.m.

Red Cross Blood Mobile Will Visit Union Area Friday

UNION (Special)—The Bloodmobile unit of the Red Cross will be in Union Friday for the annual blood drawing.

Quota for Union has been 100 pints in past years and it is expected to be the same for this year.

Mrs. Neal Morrison is the local chairman. The unit will be set up at the Union High School gymnasium, from 2 until 6 p.m. Blood donors who give a pint of blood will be given a pint of ice cream free.

Local churches are canvassing the area to sign donors. Mrs. Morrison stated that withdrawals from the bank by Union the area has been high this year.

Threat Of Perjury After Quiz Show Probe Reveals Falsehoods

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Revlon Company's former advertising chief renewed today his charge that officials of the firm knew that the television quiz shows they sponsored were "controlled" by the producers.

Members of the House subcommittee investigating rigging of TV quiz programs raised a question of perjury Wednesday when a former Revlon executive denied a statement by George J. Abrams, who had served as vice president in charge of advertising.

Abrams appeared before the subcommittee to repeat under oath what he had said in a sworn statement denied by Martin Revson, former executive vice president of Revlon, Inc. The cosmetics firm sponsored the "\$64,000 Question" and "\$64,000 Challenge" shows.

"The statement was completely true and correct," Abrams said.

Abrams, now an executive of the Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Corp., was called as today's lead-off witness by Chairman Orren Harris (D-Ark.) who said his affidavit and Revson's denial had presented "a pretty serious situation."

The witness, who said he had volunteered to appear in person, emphasized that participants in the weekly meeting of sponsors and producers of the two quiz shows "knew that the producers had the ability to control the destiny of the contestants."

Revson at Meeting Asked to list those in attendance, he named Martin Revson among others.

"This is my honest belief, that everyone present knew," Abrams testified.

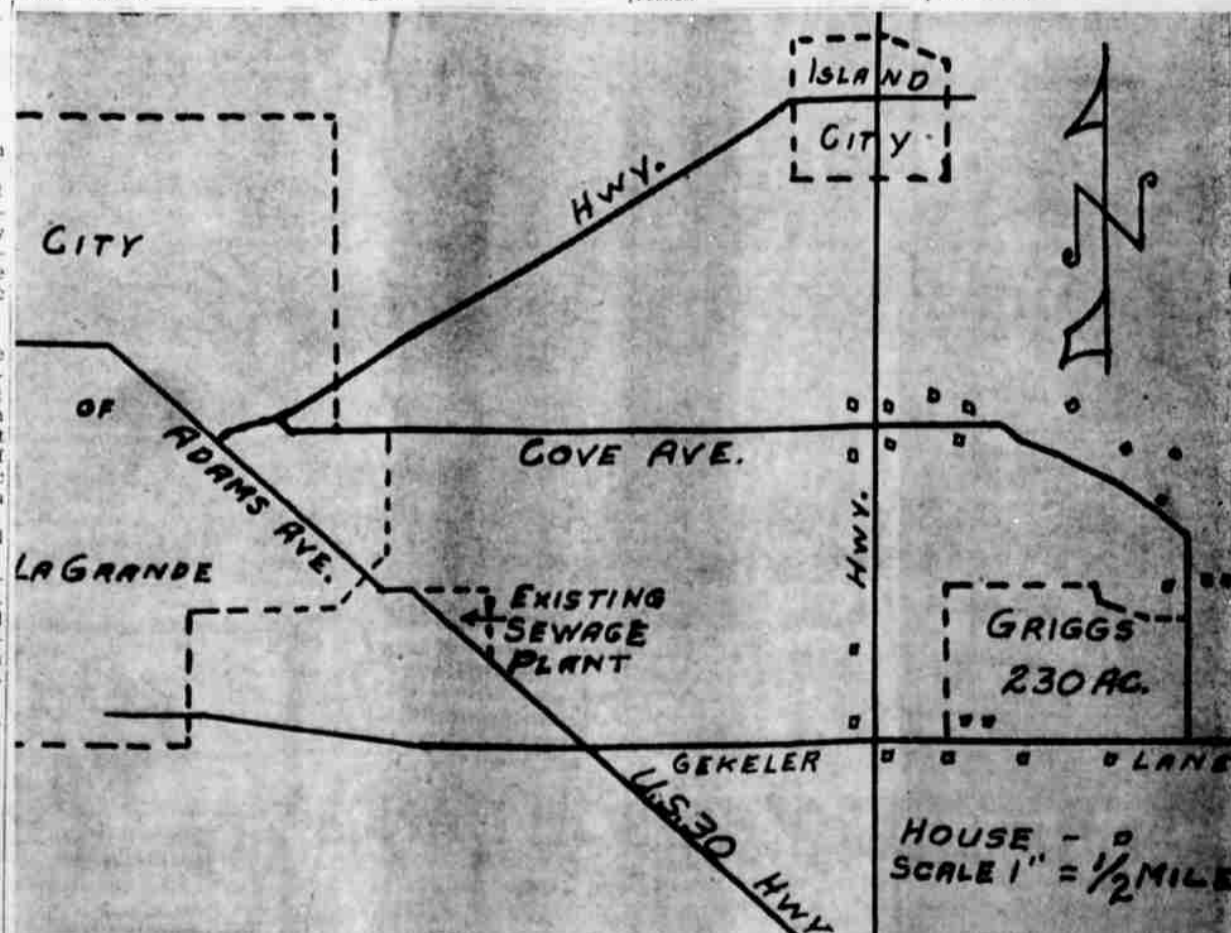
Revson told the committee Wednesday that "it never entered my mind that the producer could control it."

But Abrams, under questioning by Harris, said Revson definitely was among those aware of the producers' ability to "ask a tough or easy question" depending on whether they wanted an "exciting" contestant to stay on the program or a "dull" one to be eliminated.

Producers Steve Carlin and Bert Koplin have testified the two big-money programs were "controlled," that the sponsor knew it and made "urgent suggestions as to who should win or lose."

Rep. John B. Bennett (R-Mich.) asked Abrams if there was "any doubt in your mind" that Martin Revson knew the producers were controlling the future of contestants.

"I had it very difficult to believe he wouldn't know, sitting in on these meetings," Abrams repeated.



PROPOSED SEWAGE LAGOON SITE

Here is city engineer's drawing of proposed new sewage lagoon oxidation pond site for the city of La Grande. The 230 acre Rex Griggs ranch (lower right of picture) has been acquired by the city, with a purchase option for \$80,000, on which to construct the lagoons.

The new facility would be located east of the present sewage treatment plant. Gekeler Lane residents, as well as Island City area people, are strongly opposed to lagoons in that area.