

Phone Users Approved Extended Service--But PUC Didn't

Sandy's attempt to win extended telephone service for toll-free calls to Portland and Gresham appears to be a dead issue. However, the community owes thanks to the citizens who worked on this measure, and managed to bring the question to a vote.

We feel that Sandy phone users approved the extended service proposal, and the public utilities commissioner and his staff have arbitrarily reversed the vote. The PUC office can easily hide behind "legalities" and say that they must be "absolutely sure" of the sentiment in the community. And they must, we agree, to be fair to the majority. Let us look at the record:

The PUC in its ruling said only 50.27 per cent of the potential vote favored extended service. However, the PUC counts unreturned ballots as negative votes. This is neither fair nor realistic. Persons disinterested, careless, or foolish enough to abstain from voting should not be counted as voting negatively. They aren't in other elections, why in this one.

Of the 716 subscribers who did vote, 456 favored the proposal, and another 44 said either way was acceptable. This figures out to just a hair under 70 per cent approval of the new service.

The community favors the extended service. The vote shows this. This proposal was not a "businessman's idea" for there was pro and con sentiment among both businesses and home subscribers.

Yes, the majority of us wanted extended service, but we are denied it by the PUC. There appears to be no great sentiment for an appeal from the ruling, but there certainly appears to be good grounds for one.

We've Taken the 'First Step' on Berlin

In the careful precise language of diplomacy, the United States — speaking for the Western Allies — has taken the first big step to resolve the Berlin crisis.

It involves another concession by the West, one which could damage John Kennedy domestically and the United States internationally. But it is a step which, facing the practical realities in Central Europe, was inevitable.

That step was to assure the Russians, in so many words, that we would do nothing to upset their paper empire in East Germany.

Trial balloons have been rising for some time but Gen. Lucius Clay, the president's personal envoy in Berlin, gave the word informally several weeks ago. And Pres.

Kennedy followed up in his U.N. speech last Monday.

Whether this tacit admission that Germany will not be reunited, at least not now, will satisfy the Russians remains to be seen. The battle flags still are up on the Kremlin wall. But at least we have taken the first big step towards some sort of modus vivendi over Berlin.

Many groups in Germany will be disappointed. So will those other uncommitted countries who felt the West never would settle for a divided Germany.

But, short of all-out war, there is nothing the West could do to change the situation. We only hope the Russians don't interpret this concession as another sign of Western weakness.

Will Hatfield Call a Special Session?

It appears from here increasingly unlikely that Gov. Mark Hatfield will call a special session of the state legislature.

The governor had been portrayed as ready to call such a session to deal with the "mess" over daylight time. Some counties were on daylight time this year, others weren't and the resultant confusion caused some bitterness.

Hatfield presumably wants to limit the special session to daylight time. But the legislators obviously aren't going to buy that. State Sen. Vernon Cook of Gresham, for instance, would ask such a special session to consider redistricting. Other sol-

utions likely would press for consideration of labor-management legislation, welfare problems etc.

Hence, it doesn't seem likely that Hatfield will call a special session and thus unhook a whole host of problems that could develop into a political Donnybrook.

The state survived the daylight time "mess" last summer without any noticeable difficulty. We suspect the governor's trial balloon has been pricked and that we'll have another summer just like last.

He isn't going to open up a Pandora's box of legislative problems in a political year.

Is a Junior College Coming Closer?

If, as expected, Multnomah county reaches agreement with Portland Meadows interests and the Fairgrounds in Gresham became available, what then?

The natural assumption is some sort of commercial development.

But there is a strong group, waiting in the wings, which would like to see a junior college on the Fairgrounds site. They point out that the location is ideal, the need admitted and the prospects of state assistance excellent. Night classes at Gresham Union High have drawn well and are a logical first step toward a junior college.

Some preliminary conversations already have, in fact, been carried on between the Gresham, Reynolds, Parkrose and David Douglas school districts relative a junior college in the area. Gresham would seem to be the logical location.

But what about the Fairgrounds?

Some persons feel the Fairgrounds are "too expensive" a site for a jaycee. The state does not participate in land acquisition for junior colleges and hence the dis-

tricts involved would have to come up with somewhere between \$500,000 and \$750,000 for the Fairgrounds. The taxpayers, obviously, might wince.

Cheaper land might be available elsewhere.

Another factor which enters in is the tax revenue which the Fairgrounds, if held by commercial interests, would bring the City of Gresham. The Fairgrounds, county owned, bring nothing to the city in terms of taxes; neither would a junior college.

But commercial developments on the site would enhance considerably the city's tax rolls.

These are some of the arguments, pro and con, you hear on the jaycee question. Gresham undoubtedly needs and ultimately will get a junior college. But the Fairgrounds may or may not be the proper setting.

As the discussions grow warmer, groups of interested citizens no doubt will be asked to consult with the various school boards. The answer may not be easy in coming.

A Pound of Paperwork

Periodically, you hear complaints by the federal government that private enterprise "is not taking sufficient advantage of the facilities offered by the Small Business Administration."

The SBA was set up to provide badly-needed new capital for small and growing businesses. The government can't understand why no greater rush has developed for the funds thus available.

We can.

First, there was a story in the Sunday papers telling how H. C. Mason, president of Fryer Corp. of Portland, turned down an \$80,000 loan from the SBA. Mason, literally, had filled out over a pound of paperwork in connection with the loan.

The loan presumably was granted. But when time for disbursing the money came, there were other stipulations—never

before mentioned—which must be met. Right then, Mason quit.

We here at the Post have had our experience with the SBA. When we were acquiring the Gresham Outlook 18 months ago, one of us visited the SBA office in Seattle to see if a loan might be possible.

Actually, we never even got our coat off. We went into the man's office, said "We're considering purchase of a weekly newspaper—"

And that's as far as we got.

He said, "Stop right there. We can't deal with anyone who has anything to do with the communications media."

Seems the government fears SBA loans might be used for political reasons, to buy up newspapers, to influence the voters, to swing elections, etc. We were quarantined.

The moral? If you're dealing with the SBA, read the small print.

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Meet Vickie Colson, Cliff Sanderoock, and Stan Hanson, the three winners of the Sandy Post's subscription contest. All three were "bike" winners for their efforts. (Sandy Post photo)

Sandy Bows 6-0 to Jesuit In Wilco League Grid Test

A disastrous second quarter spelled football defeat for the Sandy Pioneers for the fourth time this season. The home-field Jesuit team downed Sandy 26-6 Friday night to remain in a tie for leadership of the Wilco League.

Sandy, receiving the opening kickoff, marched to the Jesuit 12 yard line on a series of plays that featured Gary Barden passing to Dennis Curtis for 18 yards and to Dale Carpenter for 12. Larry Russell sprinted 24 yards to the 12, where he was hauled down from behind. A pitchout went awry on the next play, and Jesuit recovered the ball.

The home team then marched to the Sandy 8-yard line where the Pioneers held for downs. Sandy punted as the quarter end-

Friends Witness Ceremony



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Pink and white gladioli decorated the Bethel Baptist church for the Sept. 16 afternoon wedding of Beverly Ann Holloway, and Richard Earl Gillespie.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Holloway, Rt. 1, Box 233, Gresham, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley E. Gillespie, Rt. 2, Box 842, Boring.

Rev. Berkeley W. Ormond officiated at the double ring ceremony before approximately 90 guests.

A white lace dress of ballerina length with white hat was selected by the bride, who carried a bouquet of stephanotis centered with a white orchid. She was given in marriage by her father, Janet Spaller was bridesmaid for her cousin, carrying a bouquet of white carnations with lavender net.

Preston Pattie was best man with Emory Hoffman, Jeff Wheeler and Freddie Holloway, brother of the bride, as ushers.

A reception was held at the church social rooms with Joyce Burdick, cousin of the bride, pouring, Marian Pillster, sister of the groom, cut the cake, and Rosalee Tangen, sister of the bridegroom, presided at the punch bowl. Janet Gillespie and Darlene McClain also assisted.

For a wedding trip to the coast the bride wore a blue suit with white hat and black accessories. The couple will live in Damascus.

Sandy 34. Six plays later Jesuit owned a 6-0 lead as fullback Jim Casey scored. Oderman ran the extra point.

Jesuit Talties After the kickoff Jesuit intercepted a pass at the Pioneer 47, and in another six plays an 18-yard pass was caught in the Sandy end zone. A running play for the conversion was stopped, but Jesuit led 13-0.

Following the next kickoff Sandy punted. Jesuit returned the ball 68 yards for another six points. Claridge caught a pass for the extra point, and a 20-0 lead.

Sandy Scores As the second half opened

Jesuit marched deep into Sandy territory only to see a pass intercepted by Dan Nichols at the Sandy three. Nichols picked up some nice blocking and followed the sideline 97 yards for Sandy's only touchdown. Barden's conversion kick was blocked.

Jesuit received the kickoff and took only six plays to add the final score on a 31-yard off-tackle slant by Casey. A conversion pass went incomplete.

The balance of the game was played around midfield, although Sandy managed a 7-1 edge in first downs during the final half of play.

Statistics:

	Sandy	Jesuit
Yardage gained	223	317
Net yardage	183	229
First downs	11	9
Passes attempted	9	8
Passes completed	3	4
Interceptions	1	1
Passing yardage	44	92
Punting: Barden averaged 27 yards on 2 kicks.		

Sandy's new \$1200 fire siren, installed by Munnell and Sherrill Co. in July, still hasn't met with approval of city council.

"Dead spots" in the air prevent the siren from carrying to its full five-mile radius according to Dean Wesselink, assistant fire chief. Weather conditions also bear on its effectiveness, he said. The sound does not carry in foggy or hot and dry weather, but it will when the air is heavy with rain, says Wesselink.

He said the problem could possibly be alleviated if the siren had a different location, but the problem is the expense of trying out new sites.

Action is to be taken in the near future, but what kind is yet undecided.

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Mrs. Robert Paulson Honoree at Shower

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Present were the Mesdames Jake Kutcher, Jack Kutcher, Marian Kutcher and daughter Marilyn, Walter Armstrong, Jack Nichols, Joby Farmer, George Armstrong.

Also the Mesdames Robert Larson, Merle Winters and daughter, Joyce, Arthur Deming, Vern Wasson, Stanley Berlik, Emma Strebin, Jack Ickler, Jerry Guddat, Gertrude Caddy, Thomas Caddy, Clinton Witter and Miss Claudia Armstrong.

Bishop Sewing Class Starts at Gresham High

A basic bishop sewing class is scheduled to start at Gresham high Oct. 6. Meetings are once a week for 10 weeks from 7-10 p.m.

This is the first in the Bishop series and is a required course for all other Bishop classes. For registration phone PR 4-1717. Classes must be limited and registration will be taken in the order names are received.

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