BOND VOTE TUESDAY

the voters of Willakenzie Fire District
a $60,000 bond issue for a building,
ent and operating costs? A story on
y's election on the issue will be found
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The Weather

Forecast: Continued fair and warm Sunday.

Temperatures: Predicted high for Sunday, 92; predicted low for Sunday, 52 degrees. High Saturday was 94, and the low Saturday, 51 degrees.

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versity of Oregon Ducks lost their 1952 Pacific Coast debut game against UCLA in the Coliseum Saturday y a margin of 13-6, but the score represented a moral the Webfoots, who, according to "those in the know," received something like a 37-7 beating.

State College 14, Utah 7
nia 34, Coll. of Pacific 13
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d 28, Santa Clara 13
nd 13, Missouri 10
13, Texas Christian 0
ka 46, South Dakota St. 0
19, Vanderbilt 7
Tech 54, The Citadel 0
17, Wake Forest 14

gene to Decide Kindergartens

By PHIL WOLCOTT
Register-Guard Staff Writer

ch would public kindergartens cost? Would they ch to the present school tax load?

re some of the questions Eugene school district asking themselves this week, prior to balloting on hment of public kindergartens Tuesday, Sept. 23.

asures will be on the ballot—one to establish the pre- system, one for a $250,000 bond issue to construct 12 classrooms, and one measure to levy a tax of $84,000 for the kindergartens the first year.

pass to have kindergartens accepted into the public school to have them administered by the school district staff. At ene's kindergartens are semi-private schools, sponsored by financed by fees from parents, but conducted in public most of them sub-standard.

asures pass, it means that insofar as funds are available

poses Kindergarten Measures

of the Eugene School Board Saturday broke their neu- ame out against the measure to establish kindergartens trict 4 to be voted on Tuesday.

d pointed out in a formal statement on the issue that it me additional kindergartens, but feels that the present normal and consequently not the proper moment for hment. Full text is on Page 4.

uction of them, all kindergarten classrooms will be up to s for equipment and course of study. As well, all teach- ertified by the state and must have had sufficient train- the preschoolers.

ing "state standard" and part of the public school sys- dergartens will allow the school district to receive basic annually from the state, based on the number of child- ance, just as now allotted for regular grade students.

the district would not be eligible to receive these funds ndergartens had been in operation for a year.

per cent, or approximately $25,000 of the operating costs to the district in basic school money the second year of cording to local school administrators' estimates.

,000 bond issue, if passed, would be on a two-year basis, year, plus interest.

would pay for 12 kindergarten classrooms—one each at Westmoreland, Whiteaker, Willakenzie, Willard, Adams, Harris, Howard, River Road, and Santa Clara Schools.

, a room is expected to be vacated and could be used tens after this year. If Wilson Junior High moves to the igh next year and if Lincoln School moves to Wilson, room for a kindergarten there.

en youngsters from Magladry would go to Adams, those Hill would attend Westmoreland, and Willagillespie pre- ld go to Washington, at least until there are enough d enough money to build kindergarten rooms at these

f a kindergarten room is estimated at about $20,000 on recently built grade school classrooms. A kinder- om must contain about 200 more square feet than a classroom because of the nature of the activities, local strators say.

uestion facing the voters is: Would the passage of this

SEE KINDERGARTEN STORY
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t Day Brings at Prostration

ember afternoon Sat- for fair and warm weather and a
e County kept the high of 92 degrees. Weather in
p candidate Richard Western Oregon should also be
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nty Fair uncomfort- clouds and fog along the Coast,
one heat prostration the Bureau observers said.
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described as "rea-

forest fire in the
was brought under
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late in the evening,
from the Western
strict working on it.
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ly fire was the only
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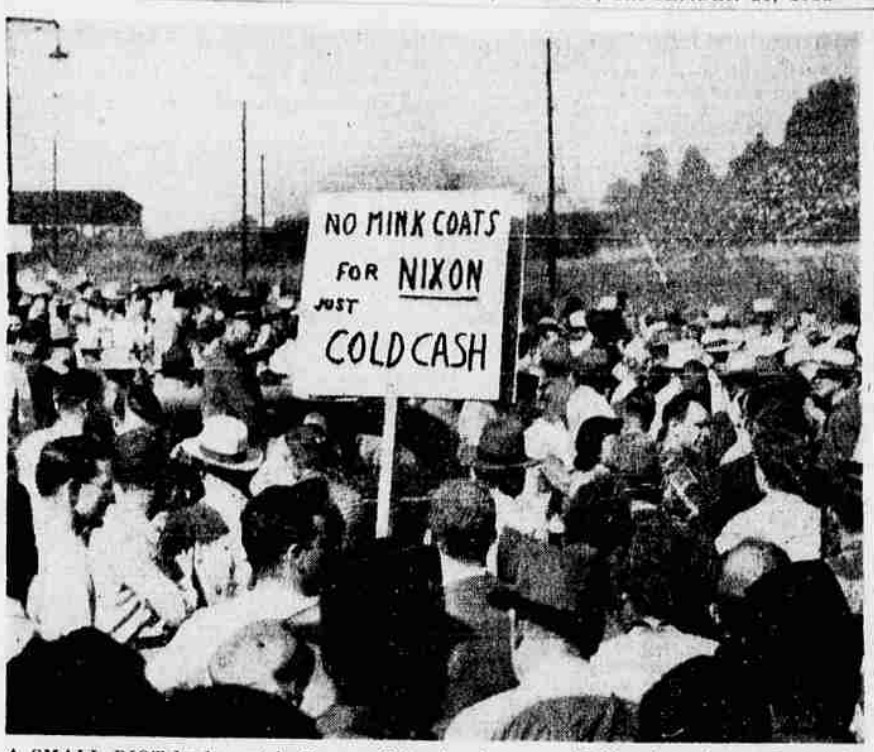
ON (AP)—Sen. Robert Okla.) proposed a Nixon" campaign Sat- the Republican vice candidate "postage cards and station-



A SMALL RIOT broke out in Eugene Saturday because of this sign, shown above the crowd which greeted Sen. Richard Nixon. Yells of "Get that sign down" throughout the speech didn't bother its young bearer, a Young Democrat from the University who was sponsored by the Lane County Democratic Central Committee. After the speech, an angry group tore at the sign and knocked it to the ground. A Linslaw man was put under citizen's arrest as a result by a local Democratic official.

BURMA, A THREE-YEAR-OLD Indian elephant from the Lane County Fair, had a moment of questionable glory Saturday. Her trainer, Tony Gentry, made news, too. Afraid Burma would stampede when the poster (shown in the other photo) was waved above her head, Gentry injured the sign bearer with his pike pole, used to guide the elephant. Sen. Nixon is shown speaking on the platform. Rep. Harris Ellsworth of Roseburg stands behind the young Californian whose red-haired wife, Pat, is seated beneath and behind the Oregon flag at right.

Aftermath of 'That Sign'

Excitement Came After Nixon Left

By JAMES WELCH
Register-Guard Staff Writer

While Sen. Richard Nixon Saturday was hard at work trying to overcome the stigma of that controversial $16,000 in gifts (now set at $18,235) from friends, A University of Oregon student was injured by an elephant trainer's pike, a Linslaw man was arrested by a Democratic leader and a reporter was interviewing a reporter.

The donation to Nixon which was indirectly responsible for all the trouble in Eugene did another thing. It allowed the Lane County people who traveled on down the valley with the Nixon train to judge the vice-presidential candidate as he worked under pressure.

But their judgment was from afar.

SOME BOARD TRAIN

About 30 local persons—politicians and newsmen—listened to the young Californian's Eugene talk and then boarded the campaign train, riding to Albany.

But before the 12-car Nixon special pulled into the Eugene yards, there was trouble.

A 3-year-old elephant was on hand, as part of a Republican stunt.

Several University of Oregon students, members of the Lane County Young Democrats organization, were on hand with a sign which ridiculed Nixon for accepting the gifts.

A photographer asked the sign-carrier, Charles Grover, to hold it near the elephant, which Grover did.

But in the milling crowd, all was confusion. The elephant's trainer, Tony Gentry, asked him to take the sign away, and when the student didn't, Gentry gave him a push with his pointed steel pole.

The barbed pike tore his hand. Nearby Democrats muttered about filing a complaint against the trainer. Later Grover went to a doctor's office for treatment. He was not hospitalized.

The trainer, whose big job of the moment is showing his Indian elephant at the county fair, later explained that elephants are gentle beasts "until something moves above their heads."

As the several thousand Lane County people listened to the senator's speech, the sign was held high near Nixon's platform.

People in the back yelled that they couldn't see past it. That only caused it to be hoisted higher.

SIGN TORN DOWN

As the local party boarded the train and Nixon left his microphones, it happened. An angry group knocked the sign down, tearing it. There were blows, and as the air cleared and police from several agencies rushed in, Charles O. Porter, member of the executive committee of the county Democratic organization, appeared, demanding the arrest of a man he held by the arm.

Police obliged when Porter promised to sign a complaint, charging disorderly conduct.

The man, Sinclair Sutton of Linslaw, was wearing an "I Like Ike" button. Municipal Judge John L.

SEE NIXON STORY
(Continued on page 4A)

Nixon Gives Aid To Ellsworth

Sen. Richard M. Nixon in Eugene Saturday urged voters to return Congressman Harris Ellsworth as Representative from the 4th District in the November election.

Speaking from the rear platform of his special train which stopped briefly at Southern Pacific Depot, the young speaker said, "You're going to expect me to say this. I hope you have the good sense to send him (Ellsworth) back to Washington. He is one of the most effective members of the House of Representatives."

Ellsworth was on the platform with Nixon and was introduced by the candidate for vice-president, along with Gov. Douglas McKay, and several Republican candidates for state office.

STOPS FOR PICTURES

Nixon, dressed in a natty gray suit, had just climbed back onto the train when he voiced support of Ellsworth. The special train a few moments before had come to a halt, and Nixon had climbed down to have his picture taken with a three-year-old elephant.

The pachyderm, waist-high on a six-foot man, was covered with signs proclaiming, "I Like Ike." Following the picture-taking, Nixon laughed, "It's better to have a picture taken with an elephant than a jackass."

Then launching an attack on Corruption and communists, Nixon said, "As you go home after you hear me speak, don't vote for Eisenhower (for President) because you like him, nor because he is a member of the Republican party.

"Vote for Eisenhower only if you are convinced a vote for Eisenhower is for the best interest of America. For what is good for America is good for you."

CROWD SHOUTS

"Unless we get a more effective President of the United States, it's going to mean tragedy to the United States."

He asked the crowd, estimated at more than a thousand, "Do you think you have the best government in Washington?" He asked, "Are you getting your money's worth?"

A big "No" sounded from the crowd.

He spoke of the Alger Hiss case, which he was instrumental in bringing to light and which resulted in prison sentence for the former State Department employee, accused of spying.

"The man who referred to the Hiss case as a 'red herring'," he said, "is not fit to be President." His reference was to President Truman.

Nixon Answers Critics of His $18,235 in Gifts

Herald-Tribune Urges Resignation

ABOARD NIXON CAMPAIGN TRAIN (UP) — Sen. Richard Nixon kept plugging away at Democratic corruption as the theme of his whistle-stop campaign tour into Oregon Saturday and at the same time assured all those seeking his resignation as vice-presidential nominee the facts about his $18,235 would prove his integrity.

To newspaper demands he resign, Nixon replied with a terse one-sentence statement which said:

"The disclosure of all the facts which I have directed Mr. Dana Smith to release today will clear up the honest misundertandings upon which these editorials were based."

(For list of donors to Nixon, see page 2.)

Nixon's aides aboard the train said the senator's statement was in reply to editorials carried in the Washington Post and New York Herald Tribune suggesting Nixon resign "for the good of the party."

TOTALS $18,235

Smith, a Los Angeles attorney and director of the controversial fund among wealthy Californians to underwrite Nixon's political expenses in office since 1950, released the names and amounts contributed to the fund by each donor, totaling $18,235.

After the list was issued Nixon gave reporters aboard his train a seven-point explanation of his use of the fund:

Nixon said:

"1. It was set up to pay for strictly political activities in which all public servants must take part, but in which those who are not independently wealthy are financially unable to participate without assistance.

"2. It enabled me to make my speaking and mailing schedules without recourse to padding my federal office payroll, free government transportation, misuse of the senatorial franking privilege, or any subterfuge.

"3. I have never received one penny of this fund for my personal use.

"4. This fund has been a matter of public knowledge from its inception; no attempt has ever been made to conceal its existence or purpose; all disbursements were made by Mr. Smith by check, as trustee.

"5. Contributors to this fund are long-timed supporters of mine, who sincerely wish to enable me to continue my active battle against communism and corruption.

"6. None of them ever asked for or received any special consideration from me.

"7. This fund represents a normal, legitimate, open matter of permitting constituents actively to support the political activitieis of the candidates of their choice. Any other interpretation is a grave injustice to the fine group of public spirited community leaders."

It was reported from St. Louis that Eisenhower was disturbed over the expense money and was hoping that Nixon could prove "clean hands."

Nixon's aides said the first Nixon knew of the St. Louis story was when he was handed wire-service copies of it here.

Lane Democrats Take Credit for 'Cold-Cash' Sign

The anti-Nixon sign which resulted in fighting at Southern Pacific Depot Saturday morning during Sen. Richard M. Nixon's appearance in Eugene was officially sponsored by the Lane County Democratic Central Committee, spokesmen said.

Keith Skelton, secretary, said the committee Saturday authorized Young Democrats to carry the sign.

It said, "No mink coats for Nixon—Just cold cash," and on the other side, "Shh — Don't Speak of $16,000 or you're a Communist."

The sign did not indicate its sponsor, and Americans for Democratic Action, some of whose members were with the sign-carrying party, were at first believed responsible for it.

Walter Pierce Gaining

SALEM (AP)—Walter M. Pierce, 91, was recovering Saturday from a 10-day illness. The former Oregon governor was reported by his wife to have been unconscious several times during the period.

Roseburg Man Crushed By Load of Lumber

ROSEBURG (AP)—A load of lumber toppled at the Sanders Lumber Co. mill here Saturday and fatally crushed V. R. Sanders, 52, Roseburg, part owner of the mill. The widow and two sons, associated in the mill with him, survive.

Assessor Reports on Municipal Levies

4 Lane Cities to Have Lower Taxes

By MARVIN TIMS

Four of Lane County's eight incorporated cities will have higher tax rates during the coming fiscal year, but the other four will show decreases.

This was revealed Saturday in his annual tax report by County Assessor George Stock. The report, normally prepared in August, has been delayed because of a land assessment controversy involving certain west side property in Eugene. The controversy is still undecided, but Stock completed his report to make the deadline for turning his tax roll over to the county tax office.

The City of Oakridge had the largest combined tax rate decrease—a drop of 10 mills. Millage is now 84.9 instead of 94.9.

The tax drop was brought about by a $89,000 increase in the city's valuation and a substantial decrease in school taxes.

Coburg's combined tax rate dropped from 75.1 to 73.8 mills; Eugene went from 75.2 to 74.4 mills; and Florence from 79.1 to 75.1 mills.

Of the four cities showing increases, Junction City went from 64.1 to 67.9 mills—up 3.8—for the largest boost.

Cottage Grove's combined rate went from 79.9 to 82.2 mills; Creswell from 66.8 to 68.6 mills; and Springfield nudged upward only .6 mills—from 80 to 80.6.

Eugene's valuation rose more than $4,000,000 to a new peak of $37,077,120. Millage for city purposes dropped from 20.1 to 19.5.

Lane County's valuation hit a new high of $137,593,883, an increase of approximately $11,300,000. Valuation of public utilities, however, dropped from $19,217,892 to $18,717,268—a decrease of about $500,000. The county millage rate will increase only slightly—going from 7.6 to 7.8 mills.

Eugene School District No. 4 increased its valuation nearly $6,000,000 to reach an all-time high of $48,090,125. The millage rate will drop from 47.5 to 47.1 mills.

Springfield School District No. 19's valuation increased about $1,200,000 for a total of $22,872,099. The millage rate dropped from 41.1 to 40.6 mills.

Bethel School District No. 52 increased in valuation from $7,494,432 to $8,781,848. The millage rate decreased from 54 to 52.5 mills.

According to the report, Lane County's valuation has more than doubled since 1947. The valuation then was only $63,436,177. By 1950 it had jumped to $114,433,978.

The total valuation of tax exempt properties in Lane County rose to $139,306,438—an increase of more than $5,000,000. The valuation of tax exempt property, then, is about $1,500,000 more than the value of property on the county tax rolls.

Stock's report lists 207,160 poultry animals, 21,886 cattle, 17,242 sheep and goats, 2,366 swine, and 1,194 horses and mules that have been placed on the tax rolls.

The report also lists 865,667 acres of non-tillable land at a value for tax purposes at $4,054,405, and 164,786 acres of tillable land with a value of $9,894,295 for tax purposes. Timber land totals 314,993 acres at a value of $5,748,115.

Cities' Tax Levies Compared by Stock

Combined millage rates for Lane County's eight incorporated cities compared with last fiscal year:

City	1951-52 Valuation	1952-53 Valuation	1951-52 Millage	1952-53 Millage
Coburg	$197,819	$197,026	75.1	73.8
Cottage Grove	$2,739,425	$2,900,537	79.9	82.2
Creswell	$482,783	$467,304	66.8	68.6
Eugene	$32,364,033	$37,077,120	75.2	74.4
Florence	$676,519	$987,847	79.1	75.1
Junction City	$1,634,312	$1,701,945	64.1	67.9
Oakridge	$1,044,704	$1,083,176	94.9	84.9
Springfield	$9,540,388	$9,968,674	80.0	80.6

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Johnson Heads Ike Campaign

Eugene's mayor, V Edwin Johnson, will lead this area's campaign for Dwight Eisenhower.

The appointment was announced by Gordon Orput, state chairman of the Oregon for Eisenhower Committee.

Mayor Johnson has been made a vice-chairman of the committee and assigned to direction of the 4th Congressional District (central-western and southwestern Oregon).

Johnson has been the city's mayor since 1948 and his present campaign for re-election is unopposed.

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Ike Said Concerned About Nixon 'Gifts'

By JOHN L. CUTTER
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ST. LOUIS, Mo., (AP)—Dwight D. Eisenhower is reserving judgment on the $18,235 expense fund of Sen. Richard M. Nixon and hoping fervently his running mate can prove clean hands, it was learned Saturday.

The Republican presidential candidate is obviously disturbed over the matter as it now stands.

But until all the facts are in he will stick to Friday night's statement that he believes Nixon would do nothing wrong.

Eisenhower's attitude on the Nixon affair was disclosed as he rolled across Missouri.

The Nixon affair, which has rocked the GOP campaign, involves disclosure that the young senator received financial aid from wealthy Californians during the last two years.

Nixon said it was to help pay the costs of his battle on Communism and corruption in government and he did not profit personally.

NO DECISION YET

There still has been no decision on whether it might force Nixon off the GOP ticket or destroy "corruption" as a top GOP issue in the presidential campaign.

As a novice who entered politics after 40 years in military service, Eisenhower frankly does not know what steps can or may be taken.

The general will not, however, have anything to do with Nixon if the senator is proven to have failed to live up to Eisenhower's own standards of morality in public service.

Under those circumstances it is assumed that if Nixon should be proved guilty of any unethical or immoral activities he would be expected to remove himself from the ticket.

In that event, the Republican National Committee would have the power to name a substitute, naturally one of Eisenhower's selection.

Eisenhower accepted Nixon as a running mate because he was impressed with the young senator's reputation for going after Communists in government in what the general considers the American way.

CORRUPTION ISSUE

Eisenhower is well aware that if the Nixon affair proves to be wrong, the corruption issue is worthless in this campaign.

He does not see how he could continue the line of his recent speeches under such circumstances. In Eisenhower's view, corruption is corruption anyplace you find it.

That is what Eisenhower meant when he said in his Kansas City speech that there must be a "single standard" of morality in public service.