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WATER PLANS FOR ASHLAND NOW COMPLETE

City Council to Ask Voters for \$487,000 for Water Extensions

ASHLAND CREEK DAM

Engineer Says It Will Cost \$351,000; Other Proposals Are Listed

Ashland voters at the November election will be asked to authorize municipal bonds in the sum of \$487,000 for improvements, extensions and additions to the city's municipal water system.

This was the final decision reached by the city council at a special meeting Saturday night, during which the various projects were formally approved following complete reports from engineers and experts who have been making investigations and surveys.

Ranger Station Dam

Chief of the water improvements is the proposal to build another dam in Ashland creek canyon at what is known as the Ranger Station site. It is estimated that this dam will cost \$351,000. This dam will provide an additional 20,000,000 gallons of water for a 90-day period.

The building of an equalization and distribution reservoir on the Crowson hill site also received official approval. This reservoir would cost \$40,000. It would be of 2,000,000 gallons capacity and will relieve the pressure on a large part of the distribution system, according to the engineers. This would give Ashland additional fire protection.

Estimates Pared

Improvements to the present distribution system were considerably pared in the final figures reached by the council. Recommendations were made that these improvements be completed at a cost of \$93,000, but because of the lack of funds and the necessity of keeping within the \$500,000 in the bond election, these improvements were cut to \$59,000 after an extended discussion.

Purchase of 200 additional acre feet of water from the Talent Irrigation district is also urged by the council, and the sum of \$22,000 was set aside for this proposed improvement in the general bond election. It is declared that purchase of this water will further conserve the Ashland creek supply.

New Mineral Line

Replacement of the present Lithia Springs pipe line by an entirely new line will also be urged of Ashland voters. This work will cost the estimated sum of \$15,000. With the lithia water noted as one of the city's strongest tourist drawing cards, the council believe the voters will willingly vote this sum to put the pipe line in proper condition for many years to come.

The council will hold another special meeting this evening at which time it will further discuss plans for the special election which will be held in conjunction with the general election. The council will seek to place all facts and figures of the various proposals before all the voters prior to Nov. 2, the date of the election.

In addition to the \$487,000 water improvement program, the voters will be asked to authorize the expenditure of \$8000 for a new fire truck, which city officials are agreed is urgently needed if adequate fire protection is to be provided.

MUNICIPAL WATER COMMISSION FOR ASHLAND FAVORED

Initiative Petition Will be Circulated Shortly, States Report

A well defined movement is under way to initiate a petition for the creation of a municipal water board. It became known this morning from an authentic source. According to present plans, it is proposed to initiate a petition demanding a special election some time the latter part of November or early in December to determine whether or not the water system shall be administered by a board separate from the council.

For the past two months this proposal has been suggested frequently in council meetings and on the streets generally. Dr. R. L. Burdick, Jr., who is retiring from the council this year, is one of the strongest proponents for a water commission and has made several efforts to have the council include it in the special city election on Nov. 2.

It was learned today that a group of business men met last Saturday night to discuss the water situation. This same group, with others invited to attend, will meet again this evening. It was reported. At tonight's meeting it is understood that definite steps will be taken to formulate the petition and get it in readiness to present to the council.

Dr. F. G. Swendenburg, J. N. Dennis, Sylvester Patterson and Charles Pierce are among the names suggested for members of the water board in the event the petition is signed and the people are called upon to decide whether or not a water board should be appointed.

TWELVE APPLICANTS SEEK CITIZENSHIP

Naturalization Hearing Will be Held at Jacksonville Tomorrow

On Tuesday morning at ten o'clock twelve applicants for citizenship will appear before Judge C. M. Thomas at Jacksonville following the legal procedure, appropriate ceremonies will be had in welcoming the new citizens. The examination of the applicants will be made by the U. S. Naturalization Examiner from Portland.

PUTNAM WILL SEEK SLOGAN ON BALLOT

"Opposed to Prohibition" Title Will be Decided by Judge Kelley

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 27.—(UP)—Secretary of State Sam Kozer today was ordered by Circuit Judge Kelley to appear Tuesday and show cause why he has not complied with the request of George Putnam to have the slogan, "Opposed to Prohibition," appear after his name on the general ballot. Putnam, publisher of the Salem Capital Journal, is a democratic candidate for state senator from Marion county.

Two Germans Are Slain By French

BERLIN, Sept. 27.—(UP)—A clash today between French officers and German civilians in Germerheim in Rhineland is reported to have resulted in two Germans being shot and killed.

ANOTHER SUSPECT

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 27.—(UP)—A man believed to be Ray D'Autre, a brother wanted for murder and robbery in Oregon, is held here pending an investigation.

ANOTHER AUTO LEAVES ROAD AT PROSPECT

Harold Berry of Medford Badly Hurt When Car Plunges off Highway

ACCELERATOR JAMMED

Accident Happens at Point Where Eight People Were Killed Recently

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 27.—(Special)—In almost the identical spot where eight lives were snuffed out two weeks ago yesterday in one of the worst automobile tragedies in the history of the Pacific coast, Harold Berry, well known young man of Medford, plunged off the Crater Lake highway near Prospect at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was seriously injured.

As the car hurtled from the roadway down the steep Rogue river canyon, it struck a tree, about 20 feet down, and young Berry was found unconscious beneath the wreckage.

Rushed to Hospital

Passing motorists went to his aid and rushed him to a local hospital where he recovered consciousness last night. Upon regaining consciousness he told the attending physicians that the accelerator of his car jammed on him and he was unable to slacken his speed. When he came to a sharp curve a short distance this side of Prospect he was unable to keep it under control, and it went hurtling down the steep mountainside within a few feet of the point where the car went over the bank two weeks ago, killing eight persons, including three children and two women.

Although the young man is reported to be badly hurt, physicians say he will recover.

SEVEN PERSONS ARE KILLED IN SMASH-UP

Two Trains Crash at Lehigh Valley Railway Crossing This Morning

BETHLEM, Pa., Sept. 27.—(UP)—A Jersey Central train smashed into a limited on the Lehigh Valley crossing here today, pinning passengers of the Lehigh Valley train in the wreckage. Three hours after the crash it was announced that seven persons had been killed and more than 30 injured.

Bank Cashier is Federal Witness In Graft Hearing

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—(UP)—The government today called the assistant cashier of Mal Daugherty's bank at Washington Courthouse, Ohio, as a witness. The witness was Miss Vera Vail. She testified that she had sold \$40,000 in liberty bonds numbered the same as those Richard Merton, German financier, gave the late John T. King, and the government inferred that former Attorney General Harry Daugherty may have received some of the money.

Chinese Bandits Pillage Cities

LONDON, Sept. 27.—(UP)—Bandits from Army Marshal Wu Pei Fu have completely destroyed Shokichow and Chowkiakow in Honan province, according to word cabled here. The bandits massacred the inhabitants, looted towns, burned houses and otherwise caused destruction. The situation through the province is dangerous. Eight foreign missionaries are reported to have been captured.

OREGON STATE FAIR STARTS TODAY WITH MORE EXHIBITS THAN EVER DISPLAYED BEFORE

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 27.—(UP)—With perfect weather prevailing, Oregon's sixty-fifth state fair opened this morning with the largest number of exhibits ever known. A bright sun smiled down, warming the enthusiasm of the crowd which apparently broke all records for the opening day.

President Horace Addis said he had every reason to expect a new attendance record during the week. Last year 96,000 persons attended the state fair.

One of the finest and most complete exhibits which greeted early arrivals was that of the Talent Irrigation district of Jackson county, whose exhibit of diversified farm products is attracting widespread attention.

Receivership For Lumberman Sought

Application will be made at Jacksonville Tuesday morning before Judge C. M. Thomas, for the appointment of a receiver of the Porter-Sims Lumber Company of Medford, in the case of C. M. Sims vs. George W. Porter, wherein the plaintiff Sims is asking for the appointment of a receiver of the business, and that an accounting be had. G. M. Roberts, attorney of Medford, is appearing for Mr. Sims.

WORK FRANTICALLY TO RESCUE MINERS

Forty-Two Men Entombed at 500-Foot Level of Shaft in Michigan

IRONWOOD, Mich., Sept. 27.—(UP)—Spurred by the prospect that the next 12 hours would bring success, workers continued today in their attempt to reach the 42 men who have been entombed in the G. Pabst mine for the past 72 hours. Three shafts are being forced through the ground toward the 500-foot level where the men are imprisoned.

Four Women Are Drowning Victims

POMEROY, O., Sept. 27.—(UP)—Four mothers, one with a baby in arms, were drowned in the Ohio river at Mason, W. Va., today. They had been on an excursion and the skiff which they boarded got caught in the current and was carried under a ferry boat.

Spells the Whole Effect



PLACE AIMEE ON TRIAL FOR ALLEGED PLOT

Los Angeles Courtroom is Crowded as Noted Evangelist Faces Court

SCENE IS DRAMATIC

Guards Patrol Corridors as Hearing Gets Under Way This Morning

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 27.—(UP)—In the somber setting of a tiny courtroom which is being constantly patrolled by guards Aimee Semple McPherson and her mother, Mrs. Minnie Kennedy, went on trial today charged with a conspiracy to defeat justice in connection with the alleged kidnapping plot against the colorful evangelist of Angels Temple.

Dressed in modest gowns of black and white, Mrs. McPherson walked into the courtroom at 10 o'clock this morning. Her mother walked slowly by her side.

Hundreds of followers of the evangelist and many others fought their way through the crowded corridors in an effort to gain admission, but many were forced to remain outside because of the crowded quarters.

PAINTING WORK AT JUNIOR HI PLEASES

School Officials Are Highly Pleased With Work Done By Frank Herman

School officials are more than pleased with the splendid painting work which has been done at the new junior high school by Frank Herman, painting contractor, who is now nearing completion of this part of the work. The interior has been finished in gray, of a subdued tone which lends real attractiveness to the new and modern building.

Mr. Herman came here from Coos Bay, and the manner in which he has carried on his painting work has won him the confidence of school authorities generally. Not only is he fulfilling his contract, but he is also adding touches here and there without extra cost in order to make the building as attractive as possible.

PEAR PICKERS WIN FROM GRANTS PASS IN RAGGED SERIES

Medford Evens up Series, 11 to 10; Deciding Game Next Sunday

Medford's Pear Pickers evened up the series with Grants Pass in a sorry exhibition of baseball at the fair grounds yesterday, Medford taking the long end of a 11 to 10 score. The final and deciding game of the series will be held at the fair grounds next Sunday.

It was a comedy of errors almost from start to finish, with now and then a sparkle of real baseball, the work of Robbins at third base for Medford being especially brilliant. Considerable wrangling also marred the contest for a large crowd of fans.

Medford started right off and took a commanding lead during the fore part of the game. The Grants Pass players played ragged ball back of the pitching of Michaels, and most of the runs came in on errors and misplays. Grants Pass made a desperate effort to tie up the score in the final inning, putting across six runs before the slaughter was over.

The two teams are now tied for leadership of the Southern Oregon league, and the team which wins next Sunday will be given the silver cup, emblematic of the championship.

SAMS VALLEY WIFE IS GIVEN DIVORCE

Myrta Mayfield Wins Decree and Custody of Their Three Children

A decree of divorce was granted to Myrta Mayfield by Judge C. M. Thomas, in the case of Myrta against Finis Mayfield, the decree provided that the custody of the three minor children, Willard, Donald and Hope be given to the mother, Myrta Mayfield, and requiring the defendant Finis Mayfield to pay to his wife the sum of \$2250 as a property settlement. Mrs. Mayfield charged cruel and inhuman treatment in her complaint for divorce.

The Mayfield's have resided in the Meadows District, Sam Valley for more than twenty years and besides the three minor children given to the mother, they have two married daughters. One of the daughters, Mrs. Violet Firestone is a resident of Ashland. The taking of testimony consumed about nine days time, which was taken before Grant Raymond, Referee.

Hold Funeral of Ashland Matron

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Lyman, widow of the late William C. Lyman, were held at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the J. P. Dodge and Sons chapel. Burial was in the mountain view cemetery. Mrs. Lyman passed away Friday at Community hospital after an extended illness.

Southern Pacific Has Special Rate

Special round-trip rates to the Oregon state fair at Salem this week were announced today by local Southern Pacific offices. A rate of a fare and a third is now in effect, with the return limit placed at Oct. 4th. The fair started this morning and will continue throughout the week.

WORK VS. JAIL

MIAMI, Fla., Sept. 27.—(UP)—Placards declaring that every able bodied man must work or go to jail were posted here today. "We need men to restore Miami; this is not a time for laggards," the placards read.

STUDENTS ARE ENROLLED ON FIRST DAY

Southern Oregon Normal School Begins First Regular Term Today

AUTHORITIES PLEASED

Registration Expected to Reach at Least 250 by End of This Week

With an opening day enrollment of 235 students, the first fall and winter term of the Southern Oregon state normal school was started auspiciously this morning. School authorities are confident that the enrollment will reach at least 325 students by the end of the week.

Today is being given over to registrations and the assignment of work, while the regular class work will start tomorrow morning. President J. A. Churchill and his faculty have everything in readiness for the opening classes.

Special Assembly

A special assembly of students will be held tomorrow for the purpose of reorganizing the school student body and getting things in shape for the many student activities.

Health examinations will be started within the next few days under the direction of a special faculty committee. Members of this committee are Miss Hall, Miss Virginia Hales and Arthur S. Taylor. This committee will hold its first meeting tomorrow to get this branch of the opening week under way.

School authorities today declared that the housing situation is better than had been anticipated and so far all students have found desirable quarters. There are still some students who desire to find places where they can work for their board and room, and any families which have such openings are asked to get in touch with the normal school faculty.

LACK OF INTEREST SHOWN IN POLITICS

Only One Nominating Petition Thus Far Filed for City Office

With only this week remaining, candidates for various city offices have yet failed to put in an appearance, with one exception. The nominating petition of G. G. Eubanks for city treasurer, was circulated this morning and within a few minutes contained more than the required number of signatures.

A dozen or more petitions have been taken out but the names of the projected candidates have not yet been made known. Miss Gertrude Bleds will file again for city recorder. Neither she nor Mr. Eubanks for city treasurer is expected to have any opposition at the forthcoming city election.

All petitions must be filed no later than next Saturday for the city election on Nov. 2.

Dynamite Used In Liquor Raid

PORTLAND, Sept. 27.—(UP)—The difficulties of prohibition officers in apprehending those who furnish the beady brew to thirsty Oregonians were exemplified here when officers used dynamite to blast their way through an eight inch concrete wall which encased a still. The still was secreted in a sub-basement and the officers were led to it by their sense of smell. After blasting through the wall an underground passage was discovered. Mrs. Almetta Rickert, on whose place the still was found, was arrested.