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GREATER MEDFORD CLUB FAVORS NEW AIRPORT PROJECT START LIBEL SUIT TUESDAY, IS PLAN IN CIRCUIT COURT

A 100 per cent endorsement of the proposed new airport was registered by the large meeting of the Greater Medford club held at Hotel Holland yesterday afternoon, following a luncheon and regular business session.

C. T. Baker was the invited guest of the organization and gave a splendid talk on the airport, presenting all the important data and information concerning the future activity here in case the bonds are voted in the election April 2. Following his talk the 25 or more members and their guests asked questions that have arisen in the minds of the many voters who have been making a careful study of the local situation.

When a final vote was taken, the organization went on record as endorsing the project 100 per cent, and pledged their solid vote in favor of the measure. The local women will also work actively in support of the new airport among their outside friends from now until election day, according to the president, Mrs. R. V. Williams.

Mrs. Mable Mack, county demonstration agent, gave a talk on "Better Homes, Better Health and Better Citizenship," bringing out in her theme, also, the duty of getting out to vote upon issues like the new airport, which so vitally affects the progress of the community.

The Greater Medford club is now planning on attending the Oregon Federation of Women's clubs district meeting which will be held in Ashland, the home of the state president, Miss Grace Chamberlain, April 26-27. More than 12 clubs throughout the state will be present.

Upon the completion of today's case of the Southern Oregon Credit Bureau against Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bertelson for the collection of money alleged to be due on several different accounts, the libel suit of Harry Young agent the Daily News Publishing company will be begun tomorrow forenoon in circuit court. The Bertelson case was opened this forenoon and was expected to be given to the jury this afternoon.

Representing several Medford and Jackson county business establishments, the Southern Oregon Credit Bureau claims the defendants to have an indebtedness of over \$400. The defendants, however, claim they do not owe that sum and are being made the victims of irregular collection.

Two days have been set aside for the Young-Daily News case and it is expected to be a fiery word battle between the counsel for the opposing sides. Young claims he was slandered to the extent of \$10,000 by a news article published some time ago, linking him as a suspect connected with the Siskiyou tunnel holdup and murders for which the three DeAutremont brothers are now serving life sentences.

Young was held in the Jackson county jail for investigation for several weeks, after having been arrested in Idaho for local authorities. He was brought to Medford as a suspect in connection with a highway robbery near Medford, in which the Jones brothers were implicated and for which they were later arrested. While being held in jail, a short time before any of the DeAutremont boys were captured, the report was published that Young was a possible accomplice in the crime and was being held under investigation as such.

WHAT THE PROPOSED NEW AIRPORT IN MEDFORD WILL COST

Every citizen and taxpayer in Medford is interested in seeing Medford continue to grow and is willing, or should be, to do his or her part to bring this about. It has long ago been demonstrated that anything that is worth having must be paid for and it behooves every legal voter of Medford to investigate the airport proposition, if possible to visit the site, and then vote his or her sentiments.

It is the opinion of the airport committee that if this is done the bonds will carry by an overwhelming majority next Tuesday, and every citizen will then be proud to know that Medford will retain her enviable position on the national airways and will become a key city and air government terminal.

But what is it to cost is the question often asked. In order to get an official opinion the committee asked J. B. Coleman, county assessor, in whom the people have reposed confidence by electing him for several consecutive terms, to make a statement which we give herewith. It shows the tax is infinitely small in comparison with what the airport means to Medford:

Office of the
ASSESSOR OF JACKSON COUNTY

Medford, Oregon, March 18, 1929.

To the Taxpayers:

There seems to be some apprehension among the taxpayers of Medford as to what it is going to cost them if the Airport Bonds are voted.

If a property owner of Medford has property assessed for \$1,000.00 he will pay not to exceed \$2.00 per year for the port, and if the city continues to grow, as in the past four years, the extra tax would be less than \$1.50 per year.

The valuation of Medford is \$7,608,925.00, and if the city continues its growth, it should reach a valuation of ten million dollars within the next three or four years. If the valuation should make an increase of two and a half million, then the average taxpayer would contribute not over \$1.50 per year in support of the airport.

J. B. COLEMAN,
County Assessor.

In addition to the above, Mr. Coleman says the average taxpayer of Medford does not pay on a valuation of over \$1,000.00, which means that the average tax would only be \$1.50 a year if the city valuation continues to increase as it has, and everybody believes it will, or \$2.00 a year on present city valuation.

Medford has more than doubled in population in eight years, and everyone hopes and believes it will repeat this growth in the next eight years. But it cannot grow and prosper unless every citizen and taxpayer does his or her part.

Many smaller homes are only assessed at \$300.00 to \$500.00, which means a tax of 75 cents to \$1.00 per year.

Every citizen, whether in business or not, will be benefited by the airport because it means increased population and property values, which will affect every day laborer, mechanic, business and professional man, as well as all property owners.

Assessor Coleman calls attention to the decreased tax rate in Medford, owing to increase in valuation, and says on the present valuation of the city if the tax rate of 1927 were in force today the amount necessary for the principal and interest on the \$120,000.00 bond issue would be raised without any increase in taxes whatever.

These figures do not take into consideration any returns from the airport. The committee is reliably informed that the estimate for revenue for the first year from air mail, passenger and express lines, aviation schools, air companies, shops, restaurants, private hangars, fees from planes using the municipal hangars, pilots' quarters, etc., many of which have already been applied for, would amount to \$4,500.00 with estimated operating expenses the first year of \$3,000.00, leaving a net income of \$1,500.00 to help pay interest and principal.

Cities that have responded to progressive movements in the past and have prepared therefor have profited. The greatest progress of the age today is air transportation. Medford responded a few years ago by putting in the first airport in Oregon. This was recognized by the air mail service and Medford had the first air mail port in the state. The government recognized this fact also, and established the first upper air meteorological weather bureau on the coast here. It now wants to locate one of the 17 super-radio stations in the United States, with a 24-hour service here, also a 24-hour full weather bureau and one of the large beacon lights, at a total cost of \$100,000, and all it asks is that Medford put in an adequate port here for the safe landing of all sizes of planes, without which a radio station, weather bureau or beacon lights will not be needed.

Medford has stood for forward movements and progress in the past, and this committee believes, with the people generally as well as government officials, that Medford will roll up a good majority for the bonds.

AIRPORT COMMITTEE, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THREE SENTENCED COURT YESTERDAY

Yesterday afternoon was unlucky for two young housebreakers and one auto thief when they appeared in circuit court and entered pleas of guilty to their respective charges. Irwin Somey was sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary for the theft of an automobile in Ashland last week and Julian Daley and Glenn Stringer, local boys 17 years of age, were each sentenced to two years on burglary charges.

Somey was arrested in Medford last week by the sheriff's office while en route north from Ashland. He was also accused of the theft of another machine in Ashland before taking the second. The two youths were arrested ten days ago at Yuba City, Cal., for local authorities. They waived extra-

dition and are said to have readily confessed to officers.

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You Have Only Four Days More to Prepare for

The BIG PARADE of WASTER FASHIONS

On Easter morning when you step from your home, you want to be sure that you are correctly attired. You will be if you visit our apparel section to make your selection, and you will also save a great deal of money, as our

PRE-EASTER SALE CONTINUES TILL SATURDAY

New Wash Silk Sleeveless Frocks

\$10.75 - \$16.75

Extreme values that will appeal to you from a style point of view, as well as the "washable" factor.

Beautiful pastel shades and white, of marvelous quality silks, for so small a price. The styles are new, original and especially suited for wear in this locality. These new arrivals will not be on display before Saturday.

Ensembles Are Featured for Saturday

\$14.75 - \$24.75

Values to \$25 - Values to \$35

Ensembles of all silk and with wool coats and silk dress; also with wool coat and dress of silk and wool. Extremely smart styles are displayed in the larger sizes, from 38 to 44, in silk ensembles that are to be had both with and without sleeves in the dress. Prints and plain silks are shown in the all-silk garments.



Pre-Easter Sale

Continues at

STEWARD'S \$1 to \$15 Store

Easter Dresses

In crepes, silks, printed silks and georgettes. Wonderful values at—

\$8.95

New Dresses

In printed silks, printed chiffons, tub silks in plain colors and sleeveless, priced at—

\$9.95

Taffeta and chiffon party frocks—

\$9.95

Whocpee Coats

Beautifully tailored and dressy; special—

\$14.95

Silk Hosiery

The famous Westcott silk hosiery, priced, per pair—

\$1.00



100 New Hats

Just in for Easter; all head sizes, large and small—

\$4.95

A special group of hats at—

\$3.95



STEWARD'S

\$1 to \$15 Store

Dresses to \$15.00 Values at

Prints and Plain Crepes and Georgettes \$9.75

Sizes Range From 13 to 46 Extra Stouts

One-piece and two-piece dresses as well as ensembles. Marvellous values at the regular price and now sacrificed at \$9.75. Not just ordinary dresses, but well made, cleverly designed garments in beautiful prints and complete color range of the new spring shades. Remember, too, please, that these are Silk Dresses and not Rayon as is being sold in some stores at near this same price. Styles are exceptional and are copies of higher priced models.

Every higher priced garment in our stock is reduced and on prices that do not apply on the numbers listed

15 Per Cent Reductions Now

will bring savings of many dollars on your new Easter frock or coat. All our most exclusive garments are included, so you have an almost unlimited selection to choose from.



Silk Undies From "Luxite"

The necessary garments to give your Easter outfit the proper foundation will be found in our "Luxite" line, just received. "Bandeaux," dance sets of shorty or panty or bloomer type, and clever Collegiate type envelops. "Luxite" garments of pure silk knitted fabrics are of the finest.

\$1.00 to \$4.25

Gloves Finish the Costume

Fine French Kids, in all the new colors and styles. "Washable Doe" slippers in sand, beige, biscuit and white. No Easter costume is complete without proper gloves, such as we display on Saturday.

\$2.98 to \$4.98



Coats of Both Sport and Dress Type Values to \$25 \$14.75

All silk lined garments and of fine broadcloth and Kasheen flannel. Both sport and dressy type coats in a wide variety of styles and colorings; many in colors to match up in the ensemble costumes with dresses. All sizes, 14 to 44.

Many Finer Coats New on Display

Values To \$35 \$24.75

In the sports coat range are imported and domestic fabrics, both with and without fur. Dress coats of fine broadcloths and silks, all the newest creations and the smartest coats being shown.

Sizes 15 to 46 1/2 Stouts

Easter Accessories That Are in Demand Now

JEWELRY is a necessary part of your Easter wardrobe and the really new things are now on display here. "Suntan" shades of pearls and the new "Crystal" jewelry—chokers, bracelets, ear-rings—a big selection of these very popular items, priced

59c to \$1.98



Holeproof Hosiery



With colors created by "Lucile" in Paris. In sheer chiffon or service weights, in many beautiful tones that are made to blend perfectly with the colors of your

Easter wardrobe. Be sure to include "Holeproof Hosiery" in your shopping list on Saturday, and have the assurance that your hosiery is correct in style and perfect in quality \$1 to \$1.95