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Park Bond Issue FORUM

Progressive Step

To the Editor: Every one of us has come to Medford because of the advantages which we find here. The climate has been God-given but all the rest has been man-planned and man-made. Our schools, our water, our business advantages, our type of citizenship—all stem from the Medford of 30 years ago. We have been content to cash in on the good judgment and energy of the past but with two such energetic and forward looking communities as Ashland and Grants Pass, both of which far surpass Medford in natural beauty and advantages, it is imperative that we start our plans not alone to make Medford a better place a third of a century hence but to assure that it does not become a ghost town during our own lifetime.

Medford while most fortunate regarding its long range attractions is singularly lacking in every type of municipal recreational facility. There is not another city of our size up and down the Pacific Highway which has so little to offer the tourist and the citizen in parks, swimming facilities, boating, band concerts, shaded walks, and all of those things which visitors enjoy and write about to their friends urging them not to pass by "Medford, such a bully place for a vacation."

I have seen Medford grow from a muddy village to its present eminence and I know, and you know also, that no pinch-penny policy based upon fear and shortsightedness is responsible for that growth. Medford in the past has always been the despair of less progressive communities and we must not allow ourselves to be diverted from that leadership now. It is imperative that every forward looking citizen make it his and her pleasant duty to assure a large favorable vote for the park bonds.

Site Value Appraised.

To the Editor: Because I am heartily in favor of the Medford park bond issue, which will be decided by voters of this city next Tuesday, I feel that certain facts should be clarified. There has been some misunderstanding as to the actual value of the Olds tract which has been selected for the proposed park development. This property consists of 17 acres, situated east of Bear creek between Main and Jackson streets and included the old railroad station and the three houses which face Main street between the bridge and the Texaco service station.

Before the park project was undertaken an appraisal of this property was made by four reputable real estate firms—Brown & White, Mark A. Goldy, Real Estate Exchange and Earl Tully, PLUS a valuation placed by the Jackson county assessor. These appraisals averaged in excess of the purchase price that will be accepted by the Olds estate—\$20,000. These appraisals are a matter of record.

I am, reliably informed that such procedure would be followed should this city seek to acquire this property through condemnation proceedings. Contrary to some rumors I have heard, this property has NOT been available at a lower figure. This city, in fact, attempted to purchase this same property in 1930 at a purchase price of \$30,000.

Cleaning, widening and deepening the Bear creek channel in recent years has eliminated the previous danger of floods. Landscape experts have pronounced the property ideally adapted to the development of such a park and recreational center as is now proposed.

I offer these facts in the hope that they will clarify in the minds of Medford voters certain questions which have been brought to my attention during the past ten days.

Roland A. Hubbard.

Park Tax Small Item.

To the Editor: I read Mr. Cleland's communication in Friday night's paper and I am glad he made it clear about the increase in taxes for the proposed park on Bear creek. The only objection that I have heard to the park is the increase in taxes, and who is there in Medford who would not willingly pay an increase in taxes of \$3.75 per thousand over a period of six years to have and enjoy a park of our own? We all agree that we need a park and it is a disgrace to the town that we have not made some effort before this to have one. The location is ideal, with walking distance for most of our citizens and many who do not own cars could enjoy it. The proposed site, at present, is a disgrace to the city and it would greatly increase the value of property to have it planted and used as a park.

Personal Health Service

By William Brady, M.D.

Signed letters pertaining to personal health and hygiene, not to disease diagnosis or treatment, will be answered by Dr. Brady if a stamped self-addressed envelope is enclosed. Letters should be brief and written in ink. Owing to the large number of letters received only a few can be answered. No reply can be made to queries not conforming to instructions. Address Dr. William Brady, 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

ICHTHYOSIS

Ichthyosis is more familiar as fishskin disease or alligator hide. Another name for it is xeroderma or xerosis, Greek for dry skin. Many persons have a slight roughening and slight scaldiness of certain areas of the skin, particularly the outer surface of the calves and the back of the elbows — the skin appears rough, scaly or "dirty". This is a mild form of ichthyosis or xeroderma. In more marked cases the skin over the elbows, knees, thighs and arms is dry, rough, and scaly enough to suggest the appearance of fish skin or alligator hide.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Galyvne Sore Mouth. I am under the impression that you said two dissimilar metal fillings or dentures in the mouth may set up a miniature galvanic battery effect and cause sore mouth. If so, what is the remedy? (C. D. F.) Answer—The remedy is to have the inferior metal fillings or dentures replaced by gold. That is best and most economical in the long run in any case. Other conditions may be responsible for sores in the mouth of a person who has dissimilar metal fillings or dentures, such as the habitual taking of laxatives containing phenolphthalein, and a prolonged moderate deficiency of vitamins in the diet, particularly vitamin C (in fresh fruits and vegetables or their juices) and vitamin B (in wheat, wheat germ, wheat bran, yeast, fresh milk, eggs, carrots, banana, etc.).

Are all these foods necessary as a protective health diet for an adult? One pint of milk, one citrus and one fresh, canned or dried fruit; at least two green leafy vegetables in addition to potatoes, salad of raw vegetables, one egg, fresh meat once daily, tablespoon butter, whole grain bread. (T. R.) Answer—No. The fresh raw or certified milk is essential—better a quart a day; one or two eggs a day; if plain wheat is taken in any form (bread, potatoes, salad of raw vegetables, one egg, fresh meat once daily, neither potatoes nor whole grain or other bread is necessary. The rest of the diet is excellent. On request, if you inclose stamped addressed envelope, we will mail you outline of a Corrective Protective Diet for use in a regeneration regimen. (Protected by John F. Dille Co.)

Ed. Note: Persons wishing to communicate with Dr. Brady should send letter direct to Dr. William Brady, M. D., 265 El Camino, Beverly Hills, Calif.

A city without a good park may be likened to a city without schools or a public library. Come folks—vote YES on the park bond issue.

Let's All Vote

To the Editor: Once again we are reminded that too often it is the minority that rules the majority.

Now we are asked to vote for a bond issue for \$30,000 to finance a park on a piece of ground that, however fertile it may be, has been periodically submerged in the floods of Bear Creek.

Further we are reminded by carefully underlined notations on scarehead handbills that "one does not need to be a property owner (and taxpayer) to vote for the proposed issue."

Let the voters owning property in this city remember that too often we have gone deeper into debt because we sat at home on election day and "prayed" that the bonds wouldn't carry, when only fifteen minutes of our time at the polls would have assured the defeat of the issue that meant another two or three "Mill" stones around the necks of the already overburdened taxpayer.

And let the non-owners of property voting for unnecessary indebtedness also remember that his duty is not ended when he casts his vote. He'll pay—and how—on every slice of bread that his children eat and every other commodity that he buys.

Let none lose sight of the fact that before that \$30,000 is paid off, it will have taken on gargantuan proportions. And Brother, the \$10,000 that's supposed to build that park is going to last about as long as a butter-fly in a Nebraska hailstorm. Forgetting specialized labor, 100 men at \$50 a month can polish off that ten grand without even leaning on their shovels.

If we MUST spend thirty thousand, why not stretch it into six months of relief instead of two? For instance, on storm sewers, gravel for muddy streets, and a dozen other things each of us know that we NEED. But don't get me wrong I would vote NO to any bonding at this time or any future time until our debts and taxes had been reduced safely below the point where they are not only threatened, but in many cases actually did cause families to lose their homes and property.

Ashland on the south of us, both have beautiful parks. What will the next generation say about us, when told of the opportunity we missed when we failed to accept it? In my mind, the following poem fits our position exactly. Vote "yes" Tuesday.

An old man traveling a lone highway, Came at the evening cold and gray; To a chasm vast and deep and wide, The old man crossed in the twilight dim.

For the sullen stream had no fear for him, But he turned when safe on the other side, And builded a bridge to span the tide.

"Old man," cried a fellow pilgrim near, "You're wasting your time in building here. Your journey will end with the closing day; You never again will pass this way. You have crossed the chasm deep and wide, Why build you this bridge at eventide?"

The builder lifted his old gray head; "Good friend, in the path I have come," he said, "There followeth after me today A youth whose feet must pass this way. This stream which has been as naught to me, To that fair-haired youth may a pit-fall be. He, too, must cross in the twilight dim; Good friend, I am building that bridge for him."

—C. E. GATES.

The Capital Parade

By Joseph Alsop and Robert Kintner

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Washington, Oct. 28.—This week the president lost a chance to use a constitutional power never before exercised by any of his predecessors. The founding fathers foresaw that some day one house of congress might wish to adjourn and the other to stay in session. They authorized the president to meet the case by commanding the whole congress to go home and reconvene on a given date.

On Monday, with the farm bloc shouting for \$50,000,000 for drought-stricken wheat farmers and water-logged cotton growers, and the Republicans demanding a continued session to "watch the president," it looked as though adjournment might be voted down in the house. At the president's conference Vice-President John N. Garner, Senate Majority Leader Alben W. Barkley, and Minority Leader Charles L. McNary, the situation was discussed, and it was concluded that the senate could be depended upon to disagree with the house.

The president then mentioned his forgotten power, showing considerable relish at the thought of setting an historic precedent. The leaders offered no objection to its use, and everything was planned accordingly. But the desire to settle matters simply was greater, unfortunately, than the desire to use the adjournment power.

Secretary Henry A. Wallace scraped a few millions for the farmers out of a back drawer at the agriculture department. The farm bloc was pacified. Incidentally, several house votes were picked up for repeal of the arms embargo. And house approval of adjournment was made fairly certain.

As ambassador to France, brilliant, dome-headed William Christian Bullitt is America's official number 2 diplomat, and his nightly transatlantic telephonings to the White House, which the president cannot forego despite danger of wire-tapping, really put Bullitt ahead of Joe Kennedy in London. But his habits as a host are strangely princely for the leading representative of the greatest democratic power in the world. For his first Moscow party, he flew blooming tulips from Holland, had a tablecloth of growing grass, and ornamented his dining room with glass cages of young animals.

That party, which was given while Moscow was still buried in snow, was named after Stravinsky's "sacre du printemps," the spring festival. Bullitt's latest and probably his last, considering the war, was a great ball in Paris in the spring. It has always been his ambition to have the best chef in Europe, and he was determined to satisfy it, at least for

Flight O' Time

Medford and Jackson County History from the files of the Mail Tribune 10 and 20 years ago.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY October 29, 1929 (It was Tuesday) Crisis believed passed in Wall Street. Senator Burton predicts many banks will be in jeopardy unless "trend is checked."

Phoenix schools highest in the county in savings by children. Legion maps its Armistice Day plans. Detroit chain stores heavy buyers of Bosc pears.

Ashland asks that old Gold Hill bridge be used over Bear creek. Texas couple hurled 500 feet by cyclone and escape injury.

Twenty Years Ago Today October 29, 1919 (It was Wednesday) Coal miners and their leader, John L. Lewis, defy President Wilson's request for peace, and calling off of strike.

Police headquarters moved to the old Jacksonville railroad depot on Main street. High school students form a glee club.

Greater Medford club to launch drive for people to plant more shade trees. Bill in congress proposes American financing of "World Brotherhood of Man."

Fern Valley

Fern Valley, Oct. 28.—(Spl)—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kantor returned Saturday from a trip to Treasure Island.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Jameson have started on a return trip to Texas. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Marshall were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. of Medford, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Publ, Faylla and Roger and Mrs. Mona Ferns drove to the C. Wheeler home at Table Rock Sunday.

Joe Gray of Salem inspected dairy equipments of Fern Valley Wednesday. Dinner guests at the E. E. Marshall home Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Dale Flowers, Bobby and Dale, Jr. of Medford, and on Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kantor, Jr., and girls Dorothy and Josephine.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Marshall Reeves of Medford and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Arnold and sons Jimmi and Junior visited Sunday at the L. H. Hughes home. Donald Wheeler, of Table Rock, was a dinner guest Monday. Other guests during the week were Melville Witscher of Medford, Frank McClain of Phoenix and Frank Witscher of Cottonwood, Calif.

Harvesting the English walnuts is taking place in Fern Valley as the recent winds have blown off all the nuts.

Silverton Stores Close.

Silverton, Oct. 28.—(P)—Silverton merchants decided to close shop on Armistice Day and advised other communities to do likewise and "enjoy a peace that may not last."

Girl Scouts Given Helpful Hints At National Conclave

Philadelphia, Oct. 28.—(P)—A former president's wife and another former president's daughter-in-law gave these helpful hints at the national Girl Scouts convention:

- 1. Stretch and be strong. 2. Sew and be soothed. Mrs. Herbert Hoover flexed her arms and thrust them forward vigorously to demonstrate exercises in the 1912 girls' handbook called "an easy way to grow strong."

Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., told how she would rest up from six trips between Philadelphia and New York in 36 hours:

"When I get home tonight I'll sit down and embroider before retiring. It's soothing, and that's why I think sewing is so important for growing young ladies."

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