

Four Reservoir Sites Now Ready for Future Development of City Water Distribution Plan

Von Der Hellen Gift Insures Medford of Needed Locations

The donation recently of two and a half acres of land by William and Doris von der Hellen for a city reservoir assures present undeveloped areas west of Medford of a water supply in the future.

The site, located on von der Hellen hill near the junction of Jacksonville-Central Point rd. and Ross lane, is the third piece of land made available for future development of reservoirs to allow a sufficient supply of water to the east, south and west as those areas develop.

Future Plans
However, von der Hellen hill, like Barneburg to the east and Dark Hollow to the south, will not be developed until the need arises, according to Assistant Water Superintendent Robert Lee.

First on the list for development is Dark Hollow, where a reservoir is tentatively scheduled for completion in 1959 unless an unforeseen increase in water use requires construction sooner.

Capital Hill reservoirs, into which Big Butte springs water flows, sufficiently serves present needs of Medford, but developments south of the city will be better served by Dark Hollow within a few years.

Distribution Center
Dark Hollow reservoir, like von der Hellen, primarily will be a distribution center with a capacity of 3,500,000 gallons. The site, which was purchased in 1949, is about five acres. Water will flow into Dark Hollow from the distribution system at night when demand is low and will go out the same system during the day when demand increases.

The von der Hellen reservoir will operate on a similar plan. Although a pump may be necessary at Dark Hollow, von der Hellen reservoir will depend on gravity flow from Capital Hill, which is on a higher elevation than von der Hellen hill.

Tentative plans for von der Hellen call for a 5,000,000 capacity reservoir above ground. The reservoir will be of reinforced concrete and will be covered, as future reservoirs at other sites will be. The reservoir at Dark Hollow will be completely underground.

8,000,000 Gallons
The Barneburg hill reservoir will be connected with the Big Butte spring pipeline and will have a capacity of 8,000,000 gallons. The Barneburg site was purchased in 1945 and covers about eight acres.

Construction costs prohibit the city administration from developing the reservoirs rapidly. Lee estimated reservoir construction at about \$50,000 per 1,000,000 gallons of water, not including installation of water mains.

The estimated cost of constructing Dark Hollow reservoir is about \$225,000, based on present day costs. Of the amount, \$175,000 would be for the reservoir itself and the other \$50,000 for a line to the site.

Future expenses are cut slightly because each of the reservoir sites is on a hill providing gravity force instead of pumps.

Capacity Told
Capital Hill reservoirs have a present capacity of 12,200,000 gallons of water with the most recent one—of 8,200,000 gallon capacity—covered. The other two reservoirs, with 2,000,000 gallon capacities each, will be covered in the future.

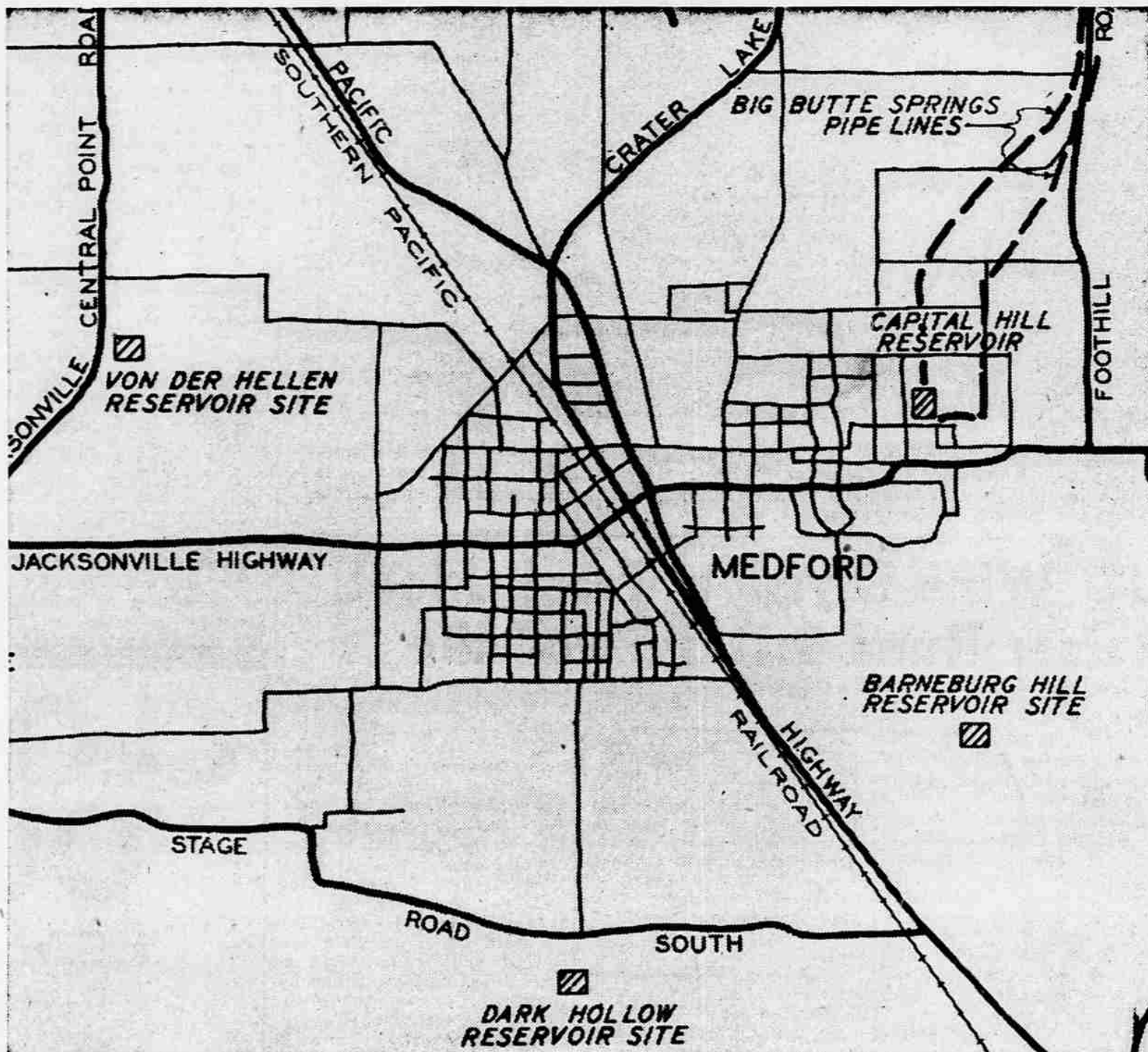
Including present water mains, Willow Creek reservoir, meters, equipment and the Capital Hill reservoirs, the total capital investment is about \$560,000, Lee said, and there is enough water from Big Butte springs to furnish adequately a population of 60,000, unless large water using industries develop and expand rapidly. About 30,000 are now served by the city water system.

Future sites for reservoirs do not include one to the north, Lee said, because it is from the north that Medford would obtain additional water should Big Butte springs be unable to meet the demand.

Other Gift
In addition to donating land for a reservoir, the von der Hellen also donated a 30-foot piece of land due west from radio station KNED for roadway purposes.

Paul Rynning, chairman of the Medford Water commission and Jacksonville county engineer, said attempts will be made to purchase 60 more feet necessary for a new road west of KNED, eliminating two bad corners on Ross lane.

The donation of the highway right of way by the von der Hellen also gave the city necessary right of way for a pipeline to the reservoir site.



RESERVOIR SITES READY—Four reservoir sites shown above, including Capital Hill (right center) which is now supplying the city with water, assure rapidly developing areas surrounding Medford with a water supply in the future. The latest addition to the future system is Von der Hellen site, west of the

city near the Jacksonville-Central Point rd., which was donated recently by William and Doris Von der Hellen. Barneburg and Dark Hollow sites were purchased several years ago. —(Water Department map.)

Don Robinson Winner Of Scholarship; Four Award Winners Listed

Eugene Don Robinson, a senior at Medford High school, is one of three outstanding high school students in the state to be awarded four-year scholarships for the University of Oregon school of journalism.

The awards, from a gift-fund from alumni and friends, are given on the basis of the student's aptitude for journalism and experience in the field. The three scholarships given this year are the first four-year awards available in the journalism school, according to Dean Gordon A. Sabine.

Has Fine Record
Robinson has had an exceptionally fine scholastic and activity record during his high school years. He was president of the high school chapter of the National Honor society during 1953-54, is vice-president of the senior class, and this year was mayor for Student Government day when high school students replace regular city officials. He has also been active in debate and forensics. During the past year Robinson has also entered journalism activities in the school. He is a reporter for the school newspaper and is assistant copy editor for the yearbook.

Robinson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robinson of 29 Ross court.

Win Awards
Eugene — Awards have been presented to 187 students in 66 Oregon high schools for outstanding work on high school newspapers and yearbooks during the past year. These awards are made by the Oregon Scholastic Press, a division of the university's school of journalism.

Among the senior students receiving the Eric W. Allen Certificates for newspaper service are Don Robinson and Mary Lou Murphy, Medford High school. Receiving the George S. Turnbull award for yearbook service are Frank Bash and Barbara Roach, Medford High school, and Jack Nunes and Judith Pavlat, St. Mary's High school, Medford.

UNDERSTANDABLE
Minneapolis (U.P.) — J. B. Wing, 45, had a ready explanation for crashing into a car ahead of him. He said he was distracted by the presence of a police car.

decided that they would go to see the land and start clearing it Monday evening. The next meeting will be held at Dixie Winingham's home on Friday, May 27.

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239 Students To Participate In SOC Graduation Event Scheduled for Next Sunday

Ashland—Some 239 students of Southern Oregon college will receive diplomas and certificates in graduation ceremonies to be held Sunday, May 29, at 3 p. m. at the Butler Memorial Band shell in Lithia park.

The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. John R. Richards, vice-chancellor of Oregon state system of higher education.

12 Masters Candidates
Master's hoods will be placed on 12 candidates by President Elmo Stevenson. Some 143 students will receive the bachelor of science degree, and 73 more will receive the three-year diploma in teacher education. This marks the last year for the three-year diploma, which will be discontinued after July 1.

Five students will qualify for the junior certificate, three will receive the lower division certificate, one an associate in science and one an associate in arts degree.

Jackson county students who will receive diplomas and certificates include:

Master of science in education degree—John Henry Miller, Bertha Marie Prescott, and Oscar F. Silver Jr., all of Ashland; Ernest V. Ludwig, Medford; Francis Eugene Farthing, Talent; Gordon Lee Hayes, Elyse Point; Duane Richard Holloway, Provoit; Francis Joseph Guidry, Jacksonville.

Bachelor of science in elementary education degree—Merle Atkinson, Elton Brande Bailey, Rene Utako Bretzel, Jean Clary Burleson, Maryann McKy Coleman, William Hargus Coley, Florence Meservey Cook, Ruth Dewa, Bob Dolan, Gilbert Earl Ellis, Nina Mae Graber, Cressa Vinup Grubb, Frances Lorraine Howard, Zola Gay Hugas, Morris Spencer Jimenez, Gene Leroy Johnson, Rachel Parkhurst Kneebone, Margaret Starnes Mann, Norma Rae Martin, Geneva Coulter Myers, Ivan Grant Myers, Glen Floyd Nelson, Ruth Allene Newton, Marjorie June Purdin, Jeanette Marie Thompson, Dorel James Verley, Janice Marilyn Wadley, and Della LaVerne Weber, all of Ashland; Claren Harry Blake, Marie Nelson Brannock, Betty Louise Connell, Georgia E. Davis, Dean Dean, Ruth Evelyn Dunn, Elva Adams Edler, Harriett Josephine Eitemiller, Olive Ruth Greenfield Fountain, Marlys Eyon Franklin, Ruth Hoover Kaye, Constance Vlasta LaLoggia, Joseph John LaLoggia, Precia Oslo Medley, Helen Maxine Mees, Jacqueline Beverly Miller, Ronald James Quackenbush, Dorothy Mae Sloniger, Jane Atwood.

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News About Servicemen

REENLISTS

Sgt. 1/c Warren M. Long, local U. S. Army recruiting station commander, will leave for Portland today to reenlist in the Army. A combat veteran of World War II and Korea, Sergeant Long has 17 years of service.

He will return to his office in the Medford post office Building Wednesday, May 25.

BUDDY ENLISTMENTS

The U. S. Army recruiting service has announced a new system in its recruiting program through which groups of two or more may enlist and remain together throughout basic training.

Individuals enlisting under the new program will sign a statement witnessed by the recruiting office, assuring them of remaining together.

Further information on the program may be obtained from Sgt. 1/c Warren M. Long, local recruiter whose office is located in the Medford post office building.

GRADUATES

Pfc. Lawrence L. Green, husband of Mrs. Margaret Green, 1946 Delta Waters rd., Medford, recently was graduated from the 7th Army non-commissioned officer academy at Munich, Germany, according to an armed forces release.

Included in the five-week course was instruction in leadership, map-reading, and other military subjects. Private Green is an ammunition specialist assigned to Battery B of the 95th anti-aircraft artillery battalion.

He entered the army in April, 1953, and arrived in Europe in March of this year.

ADVANCED

Arnold J. Lockwood, 2695 Merriman rd., was advanced to radarman seaman, USN, recently while serving aboard the minesweeper USS Inflex, according to a Navy release. Before entering the Navy in April, 1954, Lockwood attended Medford High school and was employed by Rogue River Orchard company.

SERVICEMAN VISITS

Allan C. Childers, assigned to a Navy construction battalion, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Childers, Upper Applegate. He will report May 25 at Seattle before being sent to Adak, in the Aleutian islands for duty.

PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED

Three promotions have been announced from the army reserve unit here, Leslie E. Green recently was promoted from corporal to sergeant, and Paul Kurovsky was promoted from sergeant first class to master sergeant in the 304th logistical command, James D. Wilson was promoted from corporal to sergeant in the 382nd command.

TWO MINOR FIRES

Central Point—Two minor fires were extinguished by the Central Point Rural Fire department late last night. Sawdust and waste material at the Continental Lumber company saw mill south of Central Point became ignited, but resulted in no damage.

A grass fire in the White City Industrial area caused no damage, according to Dick Krupp, rural fire department chief.

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Arthur Davies New SOCTFA President; Succeeds Hunter

Arthur Davies, logger, was elected president of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association at a meeting of the board of directors Friday evening. He succeeds Glenn Hunter, who remains on the board of directors. Davies has been both vice-president and treasurer of the group.

Other new officers include Don Whalen, vice-president for the Medford area; R. T. Moore Jr., vice-president for the Grants Pass area, and B. Sam Taylor, Medford, treasurer.

Simpson Re-elected
L. L. (Doc) Simpson was re-elected to his job of secretary, manager and forester for the association.

Past Presidents Richard Reymen, Ashland, and Jack Crump, Medford were re-elected to the board of directors. A new member is Lloyd Silva, Grants Pass, replacing Tom Mehl Jr., Glendale, who declined to again be a candidate for the board.

Ed Pease, another former president, is a hold-over member of the board.

SOCTFA, an organization for the promotion of conservation and good management practices in the lumber and logging industries, and for mutual assistance of members, is now starting its ninth year.

To Meet May 27
The association will hold a dinner meeting at the Grants Pass Golf and Country club, Murphy rd., starting at 7:30 p. m. Friday, May 27. The state forester's office will be in charge of the meeting.

A program will be to acquaint logging personnel with existing laws as well as new laws and changes passed by the legislature.

Labor Department Staff Cuts Slated

Salem (U.P.)—Cuts in the 1955 legislature made in the budget of the department of labor will force the lopping of four persons from the staff in the fiscal year starting July 1. Labor Commissioner Norman O. Nilsen told the Marion County Democratic Club Friday night.

Nilsen said the cut made in his budget by the legislature would mean elimination of an apprenticeship supervisor, field representative in the fair employment practices section, office manager of the Portland's office, and a clerk typist.

Aberdeen Wife Asks Aid To Find Husband

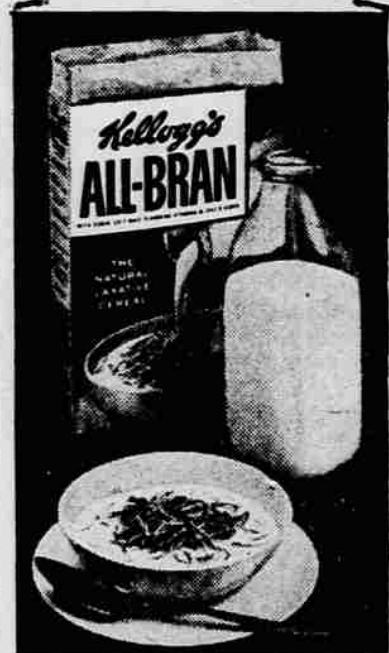
City police have received a letter from Mrs. Gilbert Neil Ross, 212 West State st., Aberdeen, Wash., asking their aid in locating her husband.

She wrote officers that Ross may be in this area looking for minerals or working to get a stake to prospect. Mrs. Ross said that she was ill and almost out of money and that she had a check which her husband, too, must endorse.

Mrs. Ross gave her husband's age as 44 and said that he stands about 5 feet 5 inches tall and weighs about 155 pounds.

The national hospital bed deficit has been estimated as over 800,000 beds.

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