

Harvey Answers Questions About Sanitary Measure

(Editor's Note: Many questions concerning Senate Bill 434, commonly known as the "Metropolitan Sanitary District Bill," have arisen since its passage during this year's session of the Oregon state legislature. In an effort to answer these questions, A. D. Harvey, Medford engineer who originated the plan, has prepared a series of three articles for the Mail Tribune concerning the bill. This is the first in the series.)

By A. D. HARVEY
The "Metropolitan Sanitary District Bill" passed at the last session of the Oregon state legislature allows establishment of a board or authority exactly like the Medford City Water commission.

However, in this instance, the board would be set up to dispose of the water instead of securing and distributing it, and instead of being a city affair, it would be representative of the entire Bear creek watershed of the Rogue valley, receiving its financial backing from that area.

A pertinent question is this: What might the situation be here now, if, so many years ago, the city of Medford had not been progressive enough and interested enough to pledge its credit and acquire our water source and transmission system?

There would not be nearly so many people living comfortably in the valley, with a good water supply, nor would we have the industries and prospects of employment if this water were not available.

All of these have been provided with a very minimum of taxation because it has been operated as a business, on a largely self-supporting basis.

The city of Medford again, three years ago, had to lend its credit to the water commission for the purpose of providing funds for construction of the new pipe line from Butte Falls. The necessity for such action was at least in part created by the desire of the commission, representing the people of the community, to serve not only Medford but also the surrounding communities of Eagle Point, Jacksonville and Central Point, as well as some of the outlying areas not yet incorporated into towns. This was for the benefit of the whole valley.

We are now faced with exactly the same problem of financing as we were a number of years ago. However, this time the financing is for the purpose of disposing of our sanitary wastes instead of providing the water to create them.

Valley-Wide Problem
Since this is a valley-wide problem instead of an individual community problem, it seems logical that the entire valley should participate in it. The legal machinery to permit just that action is what is provided for by the passage of this legislation.

As is the case with every new venture, it costs money to get it started, and any business, if it is to be successful, has to be adequately financed.

Thus, a sanitary authority or commission, to be set up here, would have to have funds for initial operation and general administrative expense. The course of these funds could only come to start with from taxation.

But, the support of the operation after it once is started would have to be by the people who would be benefitted directly. After the first organization expense, the municipal corporation could be self-supporting so far as the general public is concerned.

However, it appears that even then some minute taxation should be imposed on the entire valley, whether areas are directly benefitted or not, for these people are affected by and inter-

ested in the general overall sanitary situation in the community.

Such areas would then be helping in two ways. They would be loaning a portion of their capital valuation to make it possible to obtain funds for construction, and this would cost them nothing. And they would be paying a little amount per year on their taxes to help keep the general organization going, for their own health and prosperity.

(Tomorrow: Should Medford Join?)

Scelba Survives Struggle To Hold Italy Premiership

Rome—(U.P.)—Premier Mario Scelba tonight won the first major round of his struggle to stay in power.

The victory came when the parliamentary group of the disension wracked Christian Democratic party voted almost unanimously for continuation of the four-party governing coalition.

Only one deputy voted against the "order of the day" which formally recognized the efforts made and the results attained by the Scelba government.

Counter-Motion Missing
The 150-strong anti-Scelba group failed to come up with an anticipated counter motion which would have called for liquidation of the coalition and its replacement by an all-Christian Democratic government.

Such a government would have had to depend on the support either of the rightwing Monarchists or the pro-Communists Socialists led by Stalin Peace Prize winner Pietro Nenni.

Attack Led by Foe
The attack was led by former Premier Giuseppe Pella who criticized Scelba's pro-American regime as inadequate and demanded that he resign. The declaration of war within the party reduced Scelba's chances of survival almost to zero.

Freak Wind Storm Damages Airplanes

Phoenix—(U.P.)—Damage was estimated today at approximately \$200,000 from a freak cyclone-type wind which destroyed or damaged 30 private planes on the ground at Sky Harbor Airport here.

Gusts of 70 to 100 miles per hour were reported during the unusual storm yesterday, although the Weather Bureau station, located about one-half mile away, recorded wind of only 38 miles per hour.

Airport Manager William Ralson said more than half the planes involved were damaged beyond repair. He said the wind, which had characteristics similar to those of a small cyclone, hurled some small aircraft 30 feet in the air and blew doors and roofing from hangers.

No injuries were reported, nor was there damage to commercial planes.

More Donors Needed For Blood Collection

Only 60 appointments to donate blood at tomorrow's visit of the Bloodmobile collection unit had been made through this morning, according to Red Cross officials.

A total of 250 donors are needed if the quota of 200 pints of blood is to be met, they stated. Appointments may be made by telephoning Medford 3-3813. Drop-in donors are welcome during collection hours.

The unit will operate from 1 to 6 p.m. at the Medford Elks temple.

Key Government Officials To Evacuate Capital Wednesday in Big Defense Test

Washington—(U.P.)—The President and other key officials will flee the capital this week, for the first time since British troops burned Washington in the War of 1812.

The wall of air raid sirens at 12:05 p.m. (EDT) Wednesday will send Mr. Eisenhower and some 15,000 other essential personnel scurrying to refuge in secret emergency relocation centers from which they will conduct the government's business for the next two days.

Biggest Civil Test
The sirens will signal the start of the biggest civil defense test ever undertaken, a simulated atomic attack on Washington and 49 other American cities named "Operation Alert, 1955." The purpose is to test the civ-

il defense warning network, and to give government officials from President Eisenhower on down some experience in carrying on war-essential functions in case the real thing ever comes.

Public participation will vary from city to city, depending on local civil defense plans. No actual aircraft movements will be involved.

Workers To Leave Desks
In Washington, all of the more than 227,000 employees of the federal government will leave their desks when the alarm is sounded. Most of them will go no farther than adjacent parking lots. Then they go back to work, or to lunch.
But for Mr. Eisenhower and selected personnel of 31 departments and agencies, the re-

General Motors, Union Agree on Guaranteed Wage

550,000 Now Assured Pay Checks on Layoffs

Detroit—(U.P.)—General Motors Corp., signed guaranteed wage contracts with two CIO unions today pushing to 550,000 the number of workers assured of pay checks during 26 weeks of layoffs.

The company reached agreement on the guaranteed wage contract with the CIO United Auto Workers shortly after midnight (PST) and concluded a similar pact with the CIO Electrical Workers Union several hours later.

Pacts Cover 410,000
The two pacts add 410,000 GM employees to the 140,500 Ford employees who were granted the guaranteed wage a week ago. The UAW contract with GM covers another 35,000.

Both of the new contracts were scheduled to run for three years.

The UAW settlement came four hours after the first workers walked off their jobs in GM plants when the strike deadline passed at 8 p.m. (PST) without settlement.

GM said workers in 28 plants employing 103,600 workers were hit by strikes before the settlement was announced.

Local Disputes Remain
Some of the workers remained off the job even after the settlement in protest of disputes over local issues.

More than 5000 employees of GM's Ternstedt division plant at Trenton, N. J., walked off the job after local grievance negotiations collapsed. A union spokesman said the strike would continue despite the nationwide settlement.

CIO President Walter Reuther won the same provisions for General Motors workers in guaranteed layoff pay, wage boosts, higher pensions, bigger health benefits, and other factors as he did in the Ford contract.

Under the guaranteed wage plan, workers will receive 60 to 65 per cent of their normal take home pay for as long as 26 weeks in the event of layoff.

GM Fund Bigger
But where the program will be supported by a \$55,000,000 fund for the 140,500 Ford workers, General Motors will build up a \$150,000,000 fund to guarantee these payments.

Reuther said the 20-cent package for General Motors workers would cost the corporation \$600,000,000 in the next three years.

Reuther told General Motors workers last week his strategy had been to "win the principle" from Ford and "get the money" from General Motors.

Two Lake County Prisoners Escape

Lakeview—(U.P.)—Two young prisoners escaped from the Lake county jail here sometime last night or early today, Sheriff Tom Elliott reported.

The escapees were identified as Raymond Leroy Short, 22, who was serving 18 months for contributing to the delinquency of a minor, and Kenneth Earl Bond, 18, serving a term for obtaining money under false pretenses.

Bulletin

Eugene, Ore.—(U.P.)—Leo Hibbs, 78, of Blue River, missing since Thursday in the McKenzie pass area east of here, has been found alive, state police said, early this afternoon.

Russia Subjects Meet Topic

Earl H. Imhausen Fatally Injured In Auto Accident

Two Others Hurt As Cars Leave Road

One man was killed and two were injured in one-car automobile accidents over the weekend in the Medford area, according to state police.

Dead was Earl Herman Imhausen, 25, of route 3, box 180, Medford.

Car Strikes Pole
Imhausen was fatally injured at about 9 p.m. Saturday when the car in which he was a passenger missed a curve on Valley View rd. The vehicle struck a power pole.

Injured in the same accident was J. C. Skaggs, 38, of route 2, box 376D, Medford, driver of the car. He was taken to Sacred Heart hospital where his injuries were not considered to be serious. He was treated and released.

Second Accident
The second accident occurred at about 3 a.m. Sunday when a car driven by Robert Lee Gamaehlich, 18, of 1696 Minear rd., went into a ditch on South Stage rd. near Kings highway.

Gamaehlich told investigating officers he went to sleep while driving. He was taken by a passing motorist to Community hospital, where he received treatment for head cuts and chest bruises. His condition this morning was listed as fair.

Five Hearings on Planners' Agenda

Five public hearings are on an 11-item agenda for the Medford Planning commission meeting at 7:30 p.m. today.

Hearings will be held on changing East Jackson st. between Hawthorne st. to Genesee st. to business district, on vacation of north-south alley in the Edward Place subdivision, rezoning several lots in Queen Anne addition from single to two family dwellings, and rezoning property north of the YMCA and on East Main st. between Genesee st. to Crater Lake ave. from multiple family to commercial.

Also on the agenda are reports on Ben's Acre plat, a tentative plat for Douglas addition No. 1, a zone change on East Jackson st. between Hawthorne and Genesee st., and changing a set-back for Homer J. Pringle.

The commission also will consider a letter requesting rezoning several lots in Oak Park and Narregan additions.

Conviction of Five Communists Upheld

Philadelphia—(U.P.)—The Third U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals today upheld the conviction of Steve Nelson and four other Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia Communist leaders sentenced to five-year prison terms for conspiring to advocate violent overthrow of the government.

The conviction was sustained by a 5 to 2 decision of the appellate court.

The opinion was handed down in the case argued June 9, 1954, appealing the convictions of Nelson, William Albertson, a Communist party secretary; Benjamin L. Carreathers, party treasurer; James Hulse Dolsen, party writer, and Irving Weissman, former West Virginia party leader.

Matusow Married To Wisconsin Artist

New York—(U.P.)—Harvey Matusow, 28, the tumbanned Communist witness was married today in a private ceremony to Miss Ellen Raskin, 27, an artist of Milwaukee, Wis.

Weather

FORECAST: Continued fair and mild through Tuesday. Low tonight 48. High Tuesday 82.

Highest yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this morning	48



EX-POW VISITS HERE—Werner Baecker (second from left) is shown above Saturday noon as he lunched with a small group of Medford people at the Rogue Valley Country club, and discussed international affairs, and relieved wartime experiences. He was a prisoner of war at Camp White 11 years ago, and revisited Medford while on a tour of the United States. He is a well-known radio newsman and commentator in Germany.

living in Hamburg. Shown with him, left to right, are Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of schools who was an officer in the American Army in North Africa at about the time Baecker was taken prisoner; John Delenback, and Mark Goldy, who as chairman of the World Affairs Council of Southern Oregon was host to the visiting German newsman.—(Brainerd photo.)

Adenauer Views West Partnership As Best Peace Bet

Washington—(U.P.)—West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer arrived today and said he is convinced "a close and loyal partnership" with the United States and the free world is the best way to maintain peace.

The 79-year-old German leader landed at National Airport and received an enthusiastic and cordial welcome from State Department and diplomatic officials.

He will confer Tuesday with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles about two closely related problems: Russia's invitation to Adenauer to come to Moscow for "friendship" negotiations; and the coming Big Four summit meeting at which the Soviet Union may propose neutralizing Germany as the price for reunifying the country.

Adenauer is expected to give Mr. Eisenhower and Dulles a firm promise that West Germany will stick by its new allies in the North Atlantic Organization. At the same time, however, he doubtless will warn that West German public opinion is strong for reunification, and won't be satisfied with merely brushing off the Soviet proposals.

The New York Times quoted Dr. Adenauer today as saying his positive reaction to the Soviet invitation could in no way be interpreted as a change in the attitude of the Bonn government.

In answering a set of questions submitted by the Times' Washington correspondent, James Reston, the chancellor said the neutralization of Germany would threaten the security of Europe.

The chancellor's solution, which he will press upon Mr. Eisenhower and Dulles, is for the West to make a dramatic and constructive counter proposal for easing international tensions through controlled disarmament.

Lanza Ordered To Pay For Damage To House

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Singer Mario Lanza today was ordered to pay \$40,361.66 for damage to a luxurious estate in which he lived for 28 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Kaiser, owners of the \$200,000 estate near the Los Angeles Country club, won by default in Santa Monica from Superior Judge Orlando H. Rhodes.

He issued the decree after brief testimony from the plaintiffs. Lanza did not defend the action.

Mrs. Kaiser testified that when the portly tenor terminated his lease last Jan. 14 she found the home littered with "debris, dirt, filth and desecration."

"Damage was everywhere," she told the judge. "Only the ceilings were intact."

Eugene—(U.P.)—Sinclair Oil company officials here said the company will drill an exploratory oil well northeast of Mapleton next month.

Peron, Cabinet in Special Session To Review Church Riots

Buenos Aires—(U.P.)—President Juan D. Peron and his Cabinet met for 90 minutes today in a special session to review the week end Catholic riots in which at least 22 persons were shot or otherwise injured and more than 400 persons were arrested.

It was announced that Peron will make a broadcast to the nation tonight on the events of the week end.

In addition to the injuries and arrests, the repeated clashes between Catholics and supporters of the Peron regime left a vast train of broken windows and tar-smearing public monuments and buildings through this capital city.

The disturbances caused international incidents involving Yugoslavia, Peru and Israel.

It was announced officially that police arrested 428 men when they entered the Curia Ecclesiastica, adjoining the cathedral in the Plaza Mayo.

Other Arrests Made
Most of those arrested were said to have been under 25 years of age. They are being held at the Central Police Department.

It was reported that other arrests might bring the total to as many as 600 persons.

Peron called Parliament into special session to take new representative measures against Catholics accused of destroying the national flag.

Minister of Interior Angel Borlenghi today prohibited all future street processions and other outdoor Catholic Church

Blaze Destroys Contents of Home

Interior of the Phillip B. Miles residence, 1223 East 11th st., was totally involved in flames and contents of the house were a total loss last night, firemen reported.

They said that the blaze apparently started from an oil stove. No one was home at the small four-room home at the time. A neighbor noticed the fire and turned in the alarm at about 10:50 p.m. Two trucks were dispatched.

Trucks were sent out to extinguish three trash blazes and one grass fire during the week end. One was called to stand by at the airport for an emergency plane landing.

Aaron Gentry Fined, Sentenced to Jail

Aaron Francis Gentry, 24, of 57 Vista street, Ashland, pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny in district court, Saturday. He received a \$15 fine and 20 days suspended jail sentence on good behavior.

The charge involved theft of a \$75 alarm clock from the Columbia hotel, Ashland.

Settlement Hoped In British Strike

London—(U.P.)—Hopes for settlement of Britain's disastrous 16-day-old railway strike brightened abruptly today.

Minister of Labor Sir Walter Monckton called leaders of the non-striking National Union of Railwaymen to an evening meeting.

This was interpreted as a clear indication that progress has been made in negotiations between the striking Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen and the British Transport Commission which runs Britain's nationalized railroads.

The non-striking NUR has asked to be filled in on any gains made by the ASLEF so that it can lay its plans to keep wages of NUR members in line with the rival union's wage scale.

Annual Field Day Scheduled Tuesday

The eighth annual Southern Oregon Branch Experimental Station's field day will start at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow at the station west of the Talent-Highway 99 junction.

Some 30 farm crops will be visited by business representatives and farmers from Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland areas in an all-day event.

Moscow Accepts Geneva as Site Starting July 18

Communist Discussion Ruled Out of Agenda

Moscow—(U.P.)—Russia today accepted the Western proposal for a top level Big Four conference in Geneva beginning July 18. But the Soviets bluntly rejected the suggestion of Secretary of State John Foster Dulles that the conference consider the problems of satellite East Europe.

The Russians also ruled out any discussion of "international Communism."

Announced in Notes
Acceptance of the Western proposals of time and place was announced in notes sent by the Foreign Office to the embassies of the Western Big Three in Moscow.

The rejection of discussions of international Communist activities and the Soviet satellite states was stated later in a dispatch of the official government agency Tass.

The Soviet statement said that Dulles, by raising such questions, "was not making the work of the conference easier, but creating a complicated situation before the conference and creating difficulties for the conference."

Dulles suggested inclusion of the satellite states and international Communist activities for the conference agenda on June 7. **Counter-Suggestion**

The Soviets accepted both the time and place suggested by the United States, Britain and France.

The West previously had suggested Lausanne, Switzerland. The Soviets had suggested Vienna. The West counter-suggested Geneva, and a starting date of July 18.

Today the Soviets agreed. Western diplomatic circles expressed no surprise at the favorable Soviet answer. Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov had indicated in Paris last week end that Russia had no objections to the time and place suggested by the West.

Molotov stopped off in Paris en route to the United States where he will attend the June 20 observance of the United Nations' 10th anniversary in San Francisco.

Polls Open Until 8 In 6C Budget Vote

Central Point—Polls will be open between 2 and 8 p.m. today in two places in School District 6C for an election on a \$252,996.48 levy over the 6 per cent limitation for the district budget for fiscal year 1955-56.

Polling places are in gymnasiums at Central Point Junior High school and Gold Hill Elementary school.

The election is necessary because of an inadequate base and additional expenses, which includes five new teachers.

The budget committee approved a \$600,841 budget, an increase of \$402 over last year which is deemed necessary to maintain good schools at a reasonable cost.

Neuberger Attacks Hoover Commission's Power Plan

Washington—(U.P.)—Senator Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) said yesterday the Pacific Northwest will lose its "entire competitive advantage" in the sale of public power if recommendations of the Hoover Commission are carried out.

The commission, headed by former President Herbert Hoover, has recommended that public power projects be forced to charge the same rates for electricity as those charged by private utilities.

Columbia Power Cheapest
Such a law, Neuberger said in a statement, would reduce the Pacific Northwest to "an economic channel house."
"Power can be produced more cheaply on the Columbia river than anywhere else in the nation," he said. "In this one watershed is 42 per cent of all our undeveloped hydroelectricity."