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Should City Join in Sanitation District? Harvey Gives Views

(Editor's Note: Many questions concerning Senate Bill 454, 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 organized the plan, has prepared a series of three articles for The Medford Mail Tribune concerning the bill. This is the second in the series.)

By A. D. HARVEY
The questions which many people have asked concerning formation of a metropolitan sanitary district are there: "Should Medford join such a district?" and "What would be the effect on Medford if it went into a district?"

It is not necessary that Medford join in such a district if it does not wish to do so. However, there are reasons why the residents of Medford, and the property owners, would want to do so.

It would cost them little, if anything. The outlying communities and the people of the area do a substantial amount of their trading in Medford. For this reason the people of Medford are interested in their welfare.

Could Negotiate
Regardless of whether Medford is in such a district, the directing board of a broad sanitary authority would be in a position to negotiate with the city for rights for flowage through its sewers at fair prices.

It would have the funds and the right to guarantee construction or reinforcement of the city sewers when such action became necessary because of the added loads from outside. It would have authority and the capital to provide for expansion of the present treating plant when such action should become necessary.

It would have the stability and financial background to make it easy for Medford, to contract with it for treatment of sewage, or perhaps in the future to contract with the authority to have Medford sewage treated in a separate plant if such would then be indicated.

Sees Advantage
For these reasons, it appears that it would be advantageous for the city of Medford to cooperate with and join such an authority.

In answer to the question "Should smaller communities such as Talent, Phoenix, Jacksonville and Central Point join such an organization?" the answer is "yes."

Although such an arrangement would not eliminate the necessity of those towns building their local sewer systems, or keeping up with the needed expansion thereof, it would allow the smaller communities to turn their sanitary problems, both of construction and operation, over to a well organized sanitary district.

Ashland also should join, as it is located at the head of the valley, originates sewage plant effluent, and can be an important factor in the system and can benefit from the valley authority developments.

Big Bond Issue?
Another question that has been asked is this: "Does this mean that the whole valley would have to go behind a large bond issue and get ready to spend a lot of money?"

The answer is "No." Although there is, at present, requirement for a considerable expansion of the sewer systems in the valley, there also has been some action taken toward correction of these situations.

Action on the remaining portions requiring service has been seriously delayed due to inability to finance on previous legal restrictions and pending the passage of this sanitary authority bill as well as other bills re-

lating to sanitary district matters. An authority, if organized, might well take over these problems and bond issues for their construction. Interest, amortization and operation of area would be paid for by the area directly benefited, according to law.

Would Be Cheaper
It would be cheaper to do this because, with its large assessed valuation and more secure operating condition, it can be assumed that the securities offered by a valley-wide authority would be more attractive to investors and would bring a better interest rate than those offered by a small and underfinanced district.

Construction costs also would be somewhat more favorable if the projects could be offered to contractors as a group, in larger quantities.

Another question that has been asked is "What can we do to bring an overall sanitary authority into being?" According to the law, petitions must be obtained from 10 per cent of the residents of the proposed area, requesting that the county court hold a hearing and establish the district boundaries.

Could Set Boundaries
The first step might be to establish the boundaries of such a district in a preliminary way. Logically, these boundaries would include practically all of the area drained by Bear creek and tributaries.

However, even this first step should be preceded by meetings of interested groups. Possibly the best way to approach the matter would be to have each city, town, school district, sanitary district, water district and other organized groups in the valley appoint one person each to meet and discuss the matter.

From this meeting they could gain more knowledge of the problems and procedures involved, and could report to their own organizations. From such meetings it could be determined whether the people in general are interested in pursuing the matter.

The meeting could be sponsored by the county court, the court health department, or the Jackson County Health association. From it could come some measure of volunteer cooperation from various units which would form a basis for a more permanent group.

(Tomorrow: How about Annexation?)

Lee Poirier Fined \$200; Notice of Appeal Given

Lee Poirier, Jacksonville, was fined \$200 and court costs yesterday in district court on a charge of practicing dentistry without a license.

Poirier's attorney, O. H. Bengtson, Medford, immediately gave oral notice of appeal to circuit court.

The case has been in local courts for approximately a year. Poirier operates a false teeth repair business in Jacksonville.

Diamond Lake Kamloop Restocking Scheduled
Bend, Ore. — (U.P.) — The state game commission tomorrow will launch the second phase of its Diamond Lake rehabilitation program by planting 151,000 Kamloops trout.

150 Farmers, Businessmen Attend Annual Field Day; Learn of Fertilizer Benefits

Talent — Potash and phosphorus — two major elements often neglected in fertilizer programs—usually will more than pay their way in increased yields 150 farmers and businessmen attending the Southern Oregon branch experiment station field day learned today.

Fertilizer trials with corn, wheat, oats and barley showed profitable increases due to potash and phosphorus, where a test indicated soils were low in these two elements.

In potash returned \$6.71. For other grain trials, Yungen reported on off-station work at the J. W. England farm near Cave Junction.

There, phosphorus more than doubled yields on wheat and oats—from 1,542 to 3,312 pounds per acre—while potash boosted yields from 2,715 to 3,312 pounds.

Value of the increase per acre was figured at \$60 for phosphorus, and \$20.25 for potash. Return for each dollar spent was \$4 for phosphorus, \$2.12 for potash.

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Weather
FORECAST: Considerable cloudiness, few light showers, mild temperatures through Wednesday. Low tonight about 50. High Wednesday 75.
Highest Yesterday 51
Lowest this Morning 56

Time Necessary To Move Mountainous Backlog of Freight

Loss To Railways Set at \$42,000,000

London — (U.P.) — The government and union negotiators settled the nation's costly 17-day-old railway strike today. The agreement will start trains moving soon, but officials said it will require days to restore the nationalized railroad system to normal, because of mountainous backlogs of freight.

Today's settlement, ending the disastrous transport chaos, was negotiated between the government's Transport Commission, which operates the nationalized railways, and union representatives.

Government and industrial leaders said it will be months before the full economic loss from the strike can be computed. The strike forced many of Britain's key industrial plants to close, put nearly 1,000,000 men onto the nation's unemployment rolls and seriously weakened the nation's drive to balance its imports with exports.

Losses to the nationalized railways alone approximate \$42,000,000. With the announcement that the long dispute over wage differentials had been settled, there was tired jubilation in the ranks of the Associated Society of the 70,000 striking members Locomotive Engineers and Firemen.

The strike left the new government of Prime Minister Anthony Eden a major political headache.

The opposition Labor Party is attempting to label Eden as the anti-union proponent of a restrictive "new doctrine" that strikes must end before negotiations can begin.

The settlement assures the striking engineers and firemen that their demands for wage increases will be considered. The ASLEF demanded increases that would raise engineers' top wages to \$28.07 per week. They now average between \$24.50 and \$25.90 per week.

ASLEF strikers went home to their families and started living on weekly union fund grants of \$5.60 per week, plus 56 cents extra for each child, until settlement could be reached.

Once-Postponed Rose Show Slated Friday

The first annual rose show of the Medford Rose society, once postponed because of weather, will be held Friday in the cafeteria of the Medford high school, and all rose growers today were invited to participate.

More than 100 ribbons and 14 trophies will be presented to winning exhibits. Entries will be received from 7:30 to 10 o'clock Friday morning, and the displays will be open to the public from 1 to 9 p.m. Entries received after 10 a.m. will be placed on a non-competitive display table.

Mrs. L. G. Gentner, co-chairman of the show, urged all growers to enter, even if they've never entered a rose show before, to compare their roses with those grown by others.

The show was first postponed by cold, rainy weather which held back blooming. Cooler weather this week is aiding in keeping roses at the peak of bloom, Mrs. Gentner said.

Blood Collection Unit Open Until 6 O'Clock

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be accepting donations of blood until 6 p.m. today at the Medford Elks temple.

A quota of 250 donors to provide 200 pints is needed, but the number of appointments yesterday was far short of the number needed.

Ike Asks Funds For Dixon-Yates, A-Ship Restored

Atomic 'Showboat' Plans Turned Down

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower appealed strongly today for congressional approval of two recently rebuffed projects, his proposed nuclear powered atom for peace merchant ship and the Dixon-Yates electric plant.

The congressional Atomic Committee turned thumbs down on the atomic "showboat" yesterday. And last week the House Appropriations Committee rejected a \$6,500,000 item for building transmission lines from the Dixon-Yates power plant site to the Tennessee Valley Authority. This transmission link is the heart of the whole project.

Meets GOP Leaders
Mr. Eisenhower made his appeal for reinstatement of the two projects at his weekly conference with Republican legislative leaders. Senate GOP Leader William F. Knowland of California said the consensus of the conference was that the atomic ship "program is constructive and will serve a very useful purpose for promoting atoms for peace."

Knowland said he believes Congress will approve the nuclear merchantman before the session is over. The joint committee vote against it was 9 to 7. The atomic committee strongly endorsed, however, Mr. Eisenhower's new atom-sharing program and voted him \$270,000,000 for atomic construction not including the nuclear ship.

Atomic Engines
The House Maritime Committee last week approved a bill to authorize hull construction of two ships to be powered by atomic engines. But that project cannot be carried out unless Congress authorizes construction of the engines.

The atomic committee refused to okay Mr. Eisenhower's proposed atom for peace merchantman—dubbed a "showboat" by hostile congressmen, but it did authorize a \$25,000,000 expenditure on a separate project, development of an atomic engine for large surface ships.

The Dixon-Yates project, a subject of bitter controversy, originally was proposed by the President to provide TVA at Memphis with electrical energy offsetting in part the drain on TVA power supplies by Atomic Energy plants elsewhere.

It would be financed, built, and operated by private enterprise as a substitute for the frequently defeated proposal to add a new steam power plant to the government owned TVA system at Fulton, Tenn.

Krishna Menon Talks With Eisenhower

Washington — (U.P.) — India's V. K. Krishna Menon said after a preliminary talk with President Eisenhower today that easing of world tensions is "a snowballing process."

"We're all making efforts to better the world," the roving ambassador from New Delhi said.

Krishna Menon, Indian delegate to the UN Trusteeship council, flew here from New York to talk with Mr. Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles on how to insure the peace in the Far East.

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Baseball
AMERICAN
Kansas City 4 9 1
Boston 12 12 1
Dismar, Sleater (3), Gorman (4) and W. Shantz; Sullivan and White.

NATIONAL
New York 5 9 1
Chicago 0 8 0
Gomes and Westrum; Jones, Hillman (5), Parkowski (8) and McCullough, Cooper (8).

LAS VEGAS IS DAMAGED FROM STORM



MIDNIGHT FAREWELL — Three brothers, all of them sergeants in Headquarters company of the Oregon National Guard, Medford, are shown above with their wives as they got ready to depart at midnight last Saturday for the two-week summer Guard encampment at Ft. Lewis. Left to right are Sfc. and Mrs. Peter M. Bateman; Sgt. and Mrs. Bruce Bateman, and Sgt. and Mrs. Arthur Bateman. The two local companies, part of the 1st battalion, 186th Infantry regiment, will return to Medford June 25.—(Landis-Shangle photo.)

Public Hearing Set June 24 on Dog Race Plan for This Area

A public hearing on the question of the county giving approval to a dog racing track near Ashland will be held Friday, June 24.

This was decided this morning at a meeting of the Jackson county court. The court set the time for the hearing as 11 a.m. It will be held in the court's offices in the courthouse. In announcing the decision, County Judge Rodney Keating said "The court feels this is the only fair way to handle the question."

He noted that a great deal of public interest in the question has been shown since the proposal was reported in the Mail Tribune last week. The request was placed before the court by W. D. Huber and Richard Watson, both of Medford, and Henry Enders, William Briggs, and Robert Van Fleet, all of Ashland.

Keating noted that the court has received a heavy volume of mail concerning the proposal. Although he did not indicate the sentiment of those writing to the court, it was believed that much of the mail was in opposition to the plan.

One of the reasons for this belief is the fact that an informal, but strenuous campaign against the proposal has been underway in the Ashland area.

As outlined by the five backers, the dog racing plant would be set up at a track, north of Ashland and east of Highway 99, which is now used for hardtop auto races.

Opposed in Ashland
Ashland — The operation of any dog track, with pari-mutuel betting, is receiving a "thumbs-down" from Ashland merchants, ministers and residents.

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Morse Defends United Nations; Critics Scored

Portland — (U.P.) — Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon staunchly defended the United Nations, which celebrates its 10th anniversary in San Francisco this month, in a speech last night before the Northwest Institute of International Relations.

The Oregon Democrat scored critics of the UN as using familiar techniques of "the wild charge, the unsupported allegation, the deliberate lie."

Morse said the UN and especially its technical assistance program provided one of the strongest anti-Communist instruments in the world today.

In the last few years, Morse said, the vast majority of Americans had settled down to a rational view of the UN as good for America after a starry-eyed honeymoon and an equally intense disillusionment with the organization.

"They realize that it bridges the cold war in some ways and may serve to lessen tensions in the world," he said. "Yet they realize that it cannot bring a definitive peace in a world split by the fundamental ideological conflict between Democracy and Communism."

Two Possible Courses
The senator saw only two possible courses for America other than full UN participation. One would be for America to dominate the world, which Morse said was unthinkable. The other would be an isolationist attempt to build America into an impenetrable fortress. Morse said the experts agreed that this was impossible.

Ike, Adenauer Agree On Reunification

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer of West Germany agreed today that one of the objectives of the July Big Four "summit" meeting will be to pave the way for early German reunification.

They also restated their "combined opinion" that a concept of neutrality in no way applied to Germany. "Only in collective security arrangements can Germany assure its independence," said a joint U.S.-German statement issued after Mr. Eisenhower and the Chancellor conferred for 30 minutes.

The discussion was devoted largely to relations between nations of the free world and the Soviet Union.

London — (U.P.) — The fifth session of the Soviet-Japanese peace conference opened in the Soviet Embassy here today.

Cloudburst Leaves Water Hip Deep In Parts of City

Highways Blocked; Phone Lines Out

Las Vegas — (U.P.) — Residents of this resort city mopped up today in the wake of a hail storm and cloudburst which flooded the city temporarily and caused damage estimated in excess of \$1,000,000.

The sudden storm, the worst in more than 30 years, burst without warning yesterday about 4 p.m. Hail fell for about 20 minutes after which water poured from the skies for an hour and a half.

Water Hip Deep
In some parts of the city, water stood hip deep at the heights of the storm.

Hailstones were dumped so thick that it gave the appearance of snow.

Highways and streets were impassable for many hours and telephone communication was shut off for several hours when lines were knocked down.

Water still stood 14 feet deep in the Charleston ave. underpass, one of the city's two main east-west thoroughfares, at 10 a.m. today. The storm washed concrete walls on the approaches to the underpass that they crumbled in places.

Heavy Rainfall
The Weather Bureau at McCarran Field, seven miles south of here, recorded .39 of an inch of rain in 30 minutes. The bureau said that an unofficial measurement in a residential area in the northern section of Las Vegas showed 2.3 inches of rain within 90 minutes.

Water poured over the curbs in some business areas, damaging shops and stores. Numerous homes suffered water and mud damage.

Lightning Fires Attract Fighters

By UNITED PRESS
Forest fires, set by lightning storms last week, plagued remote areas of southern Oregon and northern California today.

More than 100 blazes were reported in the Modoc national forest of northern California. Another fire has burned over more than 160 acres and destroyed about 1000 Douglas fir trees in the Klamath National forest near Jacobs Ladder, Calif.

About 60 men were sent to a fire in rough terrain 14 miles east of Brookings, Ore., in southwest Oregon.

H. B. Mack of forest service headquarters at Alturas said more than 100 experienced fire-fighters were being used to combat blazes in the Modoc forest area. Two fires covered 15 acres, four covered five acres and there were dozens of other small fires being kept under control. A helicopter from Stockton was being used to drop men into the rugged fire area.

The Jacobs Ladder fire is one of 15 raging in the Klamath National Forest, eight in the Happy Camp area, six in the Salmon Creek Ranger District, and one in Seiad Ranger District.

Radio Amateur's SOS Call Answered Through Alaska

This story could be entitled "How to call for help when you have a flat tire." Vic Milnes, 19 North Groveland ave., recently started on a business trip to Klamath Falls late in the evening, forgetting he'd left his spare tire in Medford for recapping. At the bottom of the Green Springs hill, a tire went flat. It was about a quarter to midnight.

Milnes, who is an amateur radio operator, has a "ham" set in his car, so he got on the air to see if he could get help. The only station he could read at the moment was one in Ketchikan, Alaska, and he told of his plight. The Alaska ham sent out a call for any Medford or Ashland amateurs then on the air, and finally contacted Mark Taylor, 1925 Westerlund dr., who had switched on his set just a few moments before going to bed.

Milnes started relaying information about his spare tire to Alaska, where it was relayed to Taylor in Medford. Taylor started 'phoning around but couldn't find anyone to get the spare to Milnes. And about this time, the signal to Alaska started going bad. About then, a ham in Lebanon, Ore., came into the conversation, and took over the relaying job from Alaska.

Finally, Taylor called a business associate of Milnes' in Ashland, who had a car with a spare tire which would fit the bogged down automobile. He got out of bed and drove to Milnes' rescue.