

\$187,000 Bond Issue Vote Slated Monday By Elk City District

Residents of the recently-formed Elk City Water district will vote Monday on approval of a \$187,000 bond issue to construct a water distribution system.

A poll will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Hauptert Tractor company office. About 200 voters, those who reside in the district and are registered voters, will be eligible to vote.

The amount of the bond issue will provide a 20-inch main, plus laterals, which the board of commissioners believes will be more than adequate for all foreseeable needs.

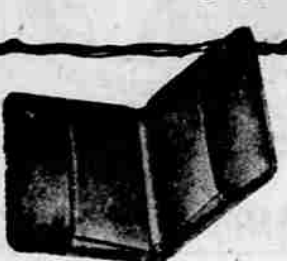
Cost Figure Given

In announcing the election the commissioners gave some cost figures. The initial investment for water users will be \$85, which includes a 3/4-inch connection, meter, and pressure reducer. An average monthly water bill, for 7,000 gallons, will be \$3.40 per month, and monthly taxes on an assessed valuation of \$1,400, which is about average for residential property in the district, would total 93 cents per month.

The commissioners point out, however, that savings in fire insurance costs would be approximately 47 cents per month.



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for the same class of dwelling for \$7,500 of coverage. The net monthly cost to the average water user, including water and taxes, would be \$3.86 cents per month. The cost to the average resident who is not a water user would be 48 cents per month.

Non-users, however, would be benefitted from the fact that fire hydrants will be located at 500-foot intervals throughout the district.

Better Insurance Rating

"This will mean a better fire insurance rating and the saving in fire insurance cost alone will pay over half of the eight mill tax increase," the commissioners pointed out.

The commissioners' statement continued:

"As the number of homes, businesses and industries expand, the water revenue and assessed valuation of the district will increase, resulting in lower taxes and a lower annual cost to the individual property owners."

The board of commissioners includes George Flanagan, chairman, and Sam Taylor and Don Elliot.

The district boundaries begin west of the Big Y junction, and include portions of Loder and Gore sts. and Maple and Walnut sts. which connect Loder and Gore; all the Mason - Ehrman warehouse district and Elk Lumber company west of Highway 99, and the business, residential and industrial area east of the highway, including much of Mace and Elk roads, and streets leading off of them; and further north, the Southern Oregon Planing mill west of the highway and the territory up to Merriman rd. east of the highway.

Eugene Man Speaker For Scottish Rite

Dr. Carroll C. Roberts of Eugene will be the main speaker Monday, Sept. 26 at 8 p.m., at the Medford Masonic temple when the Medford orders of the Scottish rite of Freemasonry will meet to observe the feast of Tishri.

Master Masons will be guests of the rite. Dr. Roberts is a 32nd degree Mason, Knight commander of the court of honor, past grand chaplain of the grand lodge, AF and AM, and pastor of the First Christian church at Eugene. He has traveled in Europe and South Africa and will speak on Masonry in other countries.

Missing Airplane Found In Wilsonville Field

Wilsonville, Ore. — (U.P.) — A two-seater Taylorcraft airplane reported stolen from the Kent airfield near Seattle has been found on a wheat field near here, state police reported.

Authorities said the plane may have been used by one or both of two escapees reported still at large after seven prisoners broke out of the county jail at Tacoma Sunday night.

Society

Dinner Meeting Held in Prospect

Prospect — Prospect Lady Lions held the September meeting at the new Mill Creek cafe. Mrs. George Hubbard presided.

Seven members of the group received their nurse's pins. Mrs. Darwin Bevins reported on the progress of the project which the club has underway in order to raise funds for the Lady Lions institute for the parents of blind children. The proposed budget for the coming year was read by Mrs. Lowell Ash and accepted.

A donation to International Lions for flood relief was voted. Guests were Mrs. Donald Vaughn, Mrs. Ward Blain and Mrs. K. VanNice.

Adarel Chapter Announces Party

Jacksonville — Adarel chapter, Order of Eastern Star, has planned a party for Saturday, September 24, at 8 p.m. in Jacksonville Masonic hall. The party is for members, their wives or husbands, and Mrs. Orville Shores is chairman.

Mrs. C. E. Coggins, worthy matron of Adarel chapter, returned home last week after spending a vacation in Alturas, Calif., with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John Groth and family. While there she attended a meeting of Alturas Chapter No. 51, OES.

Club Plans Dinner In Jacksonville

Jacksonville — The 20-80 club of the Jacksonville Presbyterian church will meet Saturday, September 24 at 8:30 p.m., at the church. A potluck dinner will be served.

Those who attend should take wrapped "white elephant" gifts for an auction sale that will be conducted during the evening program.

University Groups Pledge Students

Three Medford freshmen have been pledged to Greek letter groups at Willamette university, according to release from the school.

Miss Barbara Roach and Miss Nancy Russell have both been pledged by Delta Gamma sorority. Miss Roach is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Douglas Roach, 3350 Delta Waters road, and Miss Russell is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Russell, 120 Newtown street.

Dwight (Jack) Findley, freshman at Willamette university, has been pledged by the university chapter of Beta Theta Pi. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Dwight Findley, Old Stage road, and was graduated from Medford High school last spring.

Rogue Chapter

Rogue chapter, Grandmothers' club, will meet Monday, September 26, at the home of Mrs. C. R. Alexander, 110 Almond street. Dessert at 1 p.m. will be followed by installation of new officers and observances of birthdays.

Threat of Strike Faces Railroads

Chicago — (U.P.) — Some of the nation's railroads today faced an immediate strike threat by 11 unions representing 800,000 non-operating rail workers.

The threat arose after the unions broke off negotiations with the nation's carriers yesterday over a demand for a 25-cent hourly wage increase.

George E. Leighty, chairman of a National Union Conference Committee, said the strike "could be called" within a week on some roads. He declined to specify which roads would be involved.

He said the talks, which began only Tuesday, were broken off because representatives of Western and Southeastern railroads tried to "divide and conquer" the unions by refusing to negotiate for all workers involved in the dispute.

Leighty said the threatening unions account for about three-fourths of all rail workers, including clerks, telegraphers, machinists, boilermakers, dining car employees and maintenance-of-way workers who do not actually man the trains.

Their average hourly pay now is \$1.78, he said.

No Claim on Portland For PIE Quarters

Portland — (U.P.) — The Pacific International Livestock Exposition has no claim on the city of Portland to provide it with quarters in the proposed new exposition and recreation center, according to the Multnomah County Tax Supervising and Conservation commission.

The PIE has indicated that it would turn over to the city its existing facilities if the city would provide alternate accommodations in the \$8,000,000 center.

But the tax supervising commission said in a letter to the commission seeking a site for the center that "since nothing yet has been turned over, this does not involve any prior commitment, and any such transaction would be one to be worked out between the present commission and the P.I."

Morse Would Assist In Acquiring Building

Portland — (U.P.) — The city of Portland would probably have to pay 50 per cent of the appraised value of the Pioneer Post-office if it wants to acquire it as a historic shrine, according to Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.).

Sen. Morse said he would be willing to introduce a bill in Congress to help the city to acquire the downtown landmark but he said he would insist that the so-called Morse formula be applied to the transaction.

The formula provides that government surplus property may be disposed of to public agencies at 50 per cent of the appraised value. The postoffice site, in the heart of downtown Portland, has been valued at several million dollars.

The General Services Administration announced recently that it would dispose of the building to the highest bidder.

NOTICE
Jackson County Stockmen's Association has endorsed the "Red Hat Day Pledge and Program". The members who have livestock on the range and pastures have, in previous years, experienced heavy losses in livestock killed and stray stock due to leaving gates open and fences broken. Such losses have necessitated the owners posting their property with "No Hunting" and "Trespass Notice" which they expect to enforce to the full extent of the law until such time as so-called sportsmen can learn to respect the rights and property of others. The members realize this works a hardship on the true sportsmen. The Jackson County Stockmen's Assn.

Roseburg Youth Killed By Loaded Log Truck

Sutherlin — (U.P.) — Lester W. Johnson, 19-year-old Roseburg log truck driver, was killed yesterday when run over by his loaded truck east of here on a private road. Coroner L. L. Powers said the brakes may have failed and that Johnson was struck by the wheels when he tried to jump to safety. There were no witnesses, Powers said.

Britons Mourn Death Of Soap Opera Star

London — (U.P.) — British housewives wept today for the fictitious heroine of their favorite soap opera. She was killed off by a script writer for the British Broadcasting corporation.

Some 9,000,000 listeners to "The Archers — An Everyday Story of Country Folk." Thursday night heard heroine "Grace Archer" die in the arms of her "husband" after being trapped in a burning barn.

Hundreds of weeping women called BBC to ask why Grace had been killed. Many offered aid to the "bereaved husband." A family in Dover pulled down the blinds in their home as a sign of mourning. Viewers in Birmingham cancelled a movie date.

One unhappy housewife told the BBC, "I don't see any reason for getting rid of Grace. She and Phillip haven't been married long and they seem to be happy. Why did she have to die?"

A BBC spokesman said the episode was planned last March because writer Ed Mason decided to eliminate Grace from the plot.

"We want to keep the program realistic," the spokesman said. "Normal families have deaths and other tragedies—why not the Archers?"

Bar Defers Action On Protection Fund

Baker — (U.P.) — The Oregon State Bar yesterday deferred for further study a proposal to set up a fund for the protection of clients of dishonest attorneys.

Moves to adopt the plan and to reject it completely were both voted down during the opening session of the annual meeting of the state bar here.

The proposal would establish a fund to reimburse clients who lost money through the actions of unscrupulous attorneys. Proponents said the fund would be good public relations and opponents said it was too radical a departure from established practice.

The bar group agreed to recommend to the state legislature that a wife or husband be compelled to testify against the other in cases involving abuse of children.

Portland Wholesalers Hike Coffee Prices

Portland — (U.P.) — Five coffee roasting companies have announced four-cent increases in wholesale coffee prices here. Other companies said they would probably follow suit Monday.

The increases brought the wholesale listing to 97 cents per pound.

Certain retail outlets, however, said they would attempt to absorb the increases and would maintain present prices on their shelves.

The increase was blamed on scarcity of quality green beans from Colombian coffee plantations until the next drop comes to harvest. Prices on those varieties were recently boosted five cents a pound from the growers.

Friday, September 23, 1955

MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—THREE

Pledge Cards Needed By State Employees

State employees who desire payroll deductions for United Medford Crusade pledges must obtain special pledge cards authorizing deductions.

Payroll deductions for United funds or organizations which are consolidated to secure funds for charitable purposes were authorized for state employees in a recently enacted bill by the legislature.

Special pledge cards will be forwarded to the local state payroll officer in order that deductions may be made from pay checks or warrants. Payments of amounts deducted will be forwarded to the fund office by the state department of finance monthly until the authorized amount is paid.

Musician Murdered; Girl Friend Wounded

Denver — (U.P.) — A young Denver Symphony Orchestra musician was murdered early today and his woman companion wounded by an unidentified gunman who kidnapped the couple as they sat in a parked car in front of their apartment house.

The body of the musician, Hubert Hahn, 27, a trombonist in the symphony, was found on a road in suburban Adams County nearly six hours after he was reported to have been shot.

His woman companion, Miss Joyce Danielson, 25, bleeding from a small-caliber bullet wound in the shoulder, had halted a switch engine crew in the northeast Denver industrial area earlier to report the kidnapping.

Dead line Sunday. Classified as at noon Saturday, 10 a.m. Monday for Monday; other days 5:30 previous day.

Finder of Walser Collects Own Reward

San Mateo, Calif. — (U.P.) — Mrs. Elsie Humbug lost her wallet and \$32 in a supermarket. She asked a man if he had seen it. The man took a wallet out of his pocket and asked Mrs. Humbug if it was hers. She smiled in delight. It was.

"I guess I'm entitled to a reward," the man said. He removed \$25 from the wallet, handed it to Mrs. Humbug and drove off in his car.

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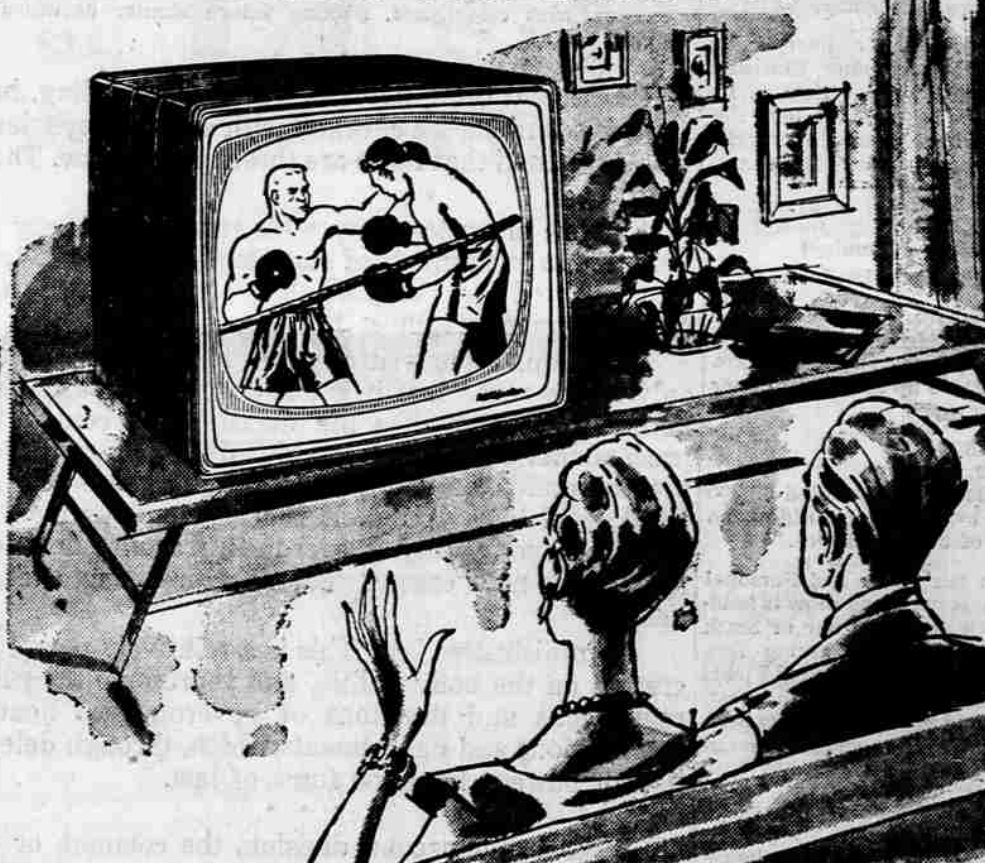


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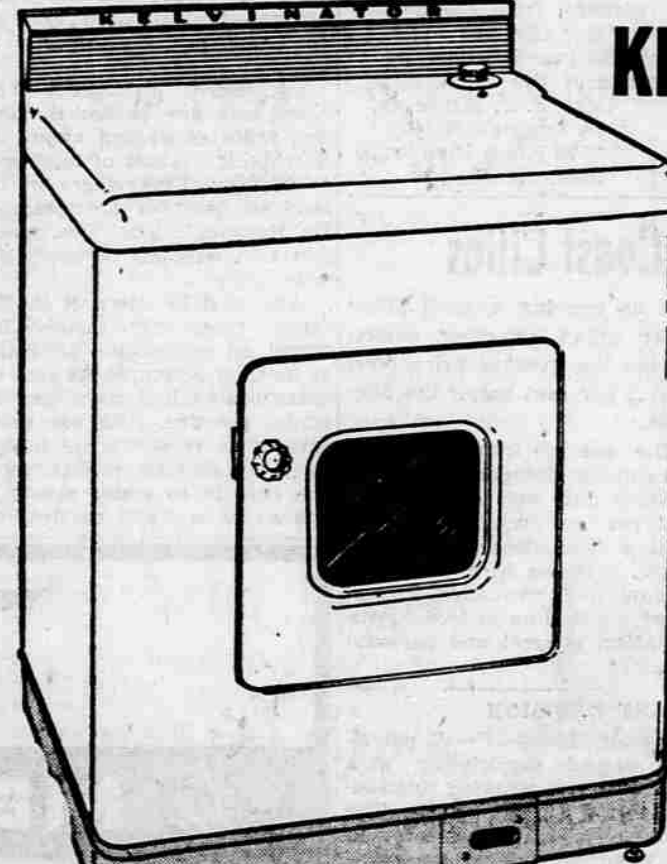
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