

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION FUND DRIVE

Gifts From Public Totalling \$714,000 Is Announced Goal

Need for Structure Listed by Committee

The Rogue Valley Memorial hospital fund raising campaign will get under way in the near future, with a goal of \$714,000 to be subscribed from Jackson county residents.

The opening "school of instruction" dinner will be held for advance gifts committee members and group managers at the Jackson hotel Thursday, Nov. 10, Louis D. Barr, advisor for the campaign, has announced.

The campaign will be to receive subscriptions totaling \$714,000 for financing construction and equipping an 80-bed hospital which is estimated to cost about \$1,900,000. Pre-campaign subscriptions now total about \$600,000 and some \$586,000 is available from the federal government through Hill-Burton hospital funds.

Structure Described

The proposed hospital will be located on a 20-acre site at the corner of Barnett and Murphy rds., and will be a three-story, steel frame, reinforced concrete structure. The building will be of modern design with aluminum windows, two elevators and fire proof. The design contemplates future expansions.

Construction of a new hospital to replace the present inadequate Community hospital, has been discussed for several years, and the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce late in 1954 stressed the need for a new hospital following a report by Stanford Research Institute.

The report read, in part, that "A well-designed new hospital will mean greater efficiency of operation and broader medical care, and this in turn will stimulate interest in Jackson county as a Medical center." The report pointed out that to meet the county's need for expanding hospital facilities, the most feasible solution would be to replace Community hospital.

The Oregon state plan for hospital construction classifies Jackson county's hospital needs as having 104 "acceptable" beds with a total of 300 needed. The 104 "acceptable" beds represent only 35.7 per cent of the recommended number, according to the 1955 state classification.

A hospital is classed "non-acceptable" when the building does not conform with Oregon uniform construction code for hospitals, and when it does not lend itself to correction. Sacred Heart hospital presently has 100 per cent "acceptable" beds—a total of 73—and Rogue Valley Memorial hospital (Community) presently has 31.

Once funds are available for construction, the present building on East Main st. will be sold and the money will be added to the building fund. Usable equipment in the present hospital will be transferred to the new building.

The board of directors of Rogue Valley Memorial hospital said that if enough subscriptions are not obtained to justify proceeding with construction of a new hospital, all subscriptions obtained in the campaign will be cancelled and money will be returned to subscribers.

20 Directors
Control of the non-profit corporation is vested in a board of 20 directors representing a cross-section of religious, political and economic figures in the community. The board will continue to hold office until the annual election in November, 1957, at which time four directors' terms will expire.

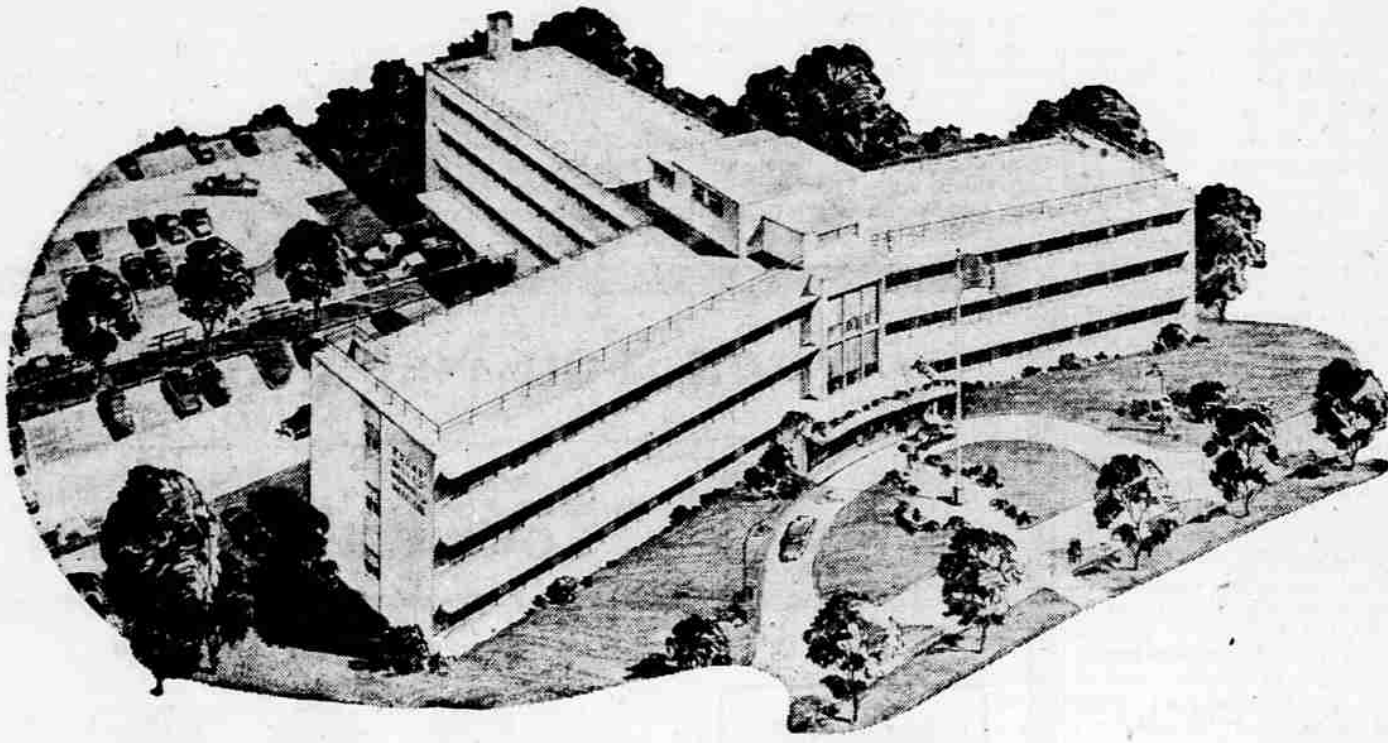
Two directors will be elected by members of the corporation—those who subscribe \$100 or more—and the other two will be appointed. One appointment will be by the vestry of St. Mark's Parish of Medford and the other will be appointed by the Protestant Episcopal bishop of Oregon.

These four directors will then serve for five years, and at each annual meeting thereafter four additional directors will be elected and appointed for terms of five years each. Directors serve without compensation.

No One to Profit

No corporation, organization, institution, individual or management will profit from Rogue Valley Memorial hospital's operation. In the non-profit organization there will be no stockholders and no dividends, and income will be used for operating expenses, efficient nursing and maintenance, building and equipment for the benefit of the patient.

Subscribers for the new hospital will be classed as "founders," whose names will be listed in a public lobby of the hospital. In addition to the founders, names of volunteer



NEW HOSPITAL—Architects drawing of the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital at the corner of Barnett and Murphy rds., Medford, is shown above. A campaign to raise \$714,000 of the estimated cost of \$1,900,000 will get underway in the near future. Some \$600,000 has already been contributed, and another \$586,000 is available through Hill-Burton federal hospital funds. The new hospital, which will replace

workers in the financial campaign also will be listed.

Names of persons, families, businesses, industries or other organizations which donate money for various hospital departments will be listed on plaques in the hospital lobby. Units which may be donated include the following:

Units Listed

Maternity department, \$30,000; nursery, \$25,000; x-ray department, \$15,000; isotope department, \$10,000; surgery suite, \$20,000; major surgeries, \$15,000; minor surgeries, \$8,000; emergency surgery, \$5,000; pediatric department, \$15,000; laboratory, \$10,000; chapel, \$10,000; physiotherapy department, \$5,000; nurses lounge, \$3,000; rooms, \$2,000 each; beds, \$1,000 each; and bassinets, \$500.

Memorials for husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, and other relatives or friends may be obtained with financial gifts.

The present hospital was started in 1936, when the late Phyllis Swearingen and Mabel Coffeen purchased property which they operated as the Community hospital. The title was in the name of Medford Hospital association, Inc. Original incorporators were Miss Swearingen, A. S. V. Carpenter and Ernest S. Bartlam. Carpenter has served as a member of the board of directors since organization. Miss Swearingen served as administrator under her death in 1948.

Interest Purchased
Following Miss Swearingen's death, several local citizens contributed to a fund to purchase her and Miss Coffeen's interests. Ownership and operation of the hospital was then transferred to the Diocese of Oregon of the Protestant Episcopal church until November, 1954.

The articles of incorporation were amended then to provide that earnings of the corporation be used only for charitable, scientific or educational purposes, and not to be used for any other purposes.

The present hospital, which has 59 beds, is housed in a two-story converted frame residence joined to a four-story hospital building of wood frame construction, with a concrete interior. Although hampered by the inadequate facilities of the building, cooperation between management, the board of directors, medical staff and nurses have provided good service to residents.

New Hospital Planned

In the fall of 1954, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter and John R. Tomlin agreed to make substantial contributions for a new hospital, and Dr. I. D. Phipps gave five acres of the present 20-acre site for the new structure.

Following extensive surveys and conferences with health authorities, the board of directors and the advisory committee determined that a new hospital in another location should be constructed as soon as possible to replace the present hospital.

Otto J. Frohnmayer, general chairman of the campaign organization, said a large organization of volunteer workers is being formed to raise money which, with funds already available, is necessary to build the new hospital.

About 1/3 Sought

Frohnmayer pointed out that residents of Jackson county will be asked to subscribe for \$714,000, which is only a little more than a third of the total estimated cost of construction.

He said volunteer workers are donating their time to solicit funds, and urged Jackson county people to help make the county a medical center.

Barr, who has organized the fund raising campaign, pointed out that "a large number of smaller, less wealthy communities in Oregon have raised funds by the community method to

provide modern hospitals." Barr has organized similar campaigns for other hospitals in Oregon and other west coast states.

Frohnmayer pointed out, "It is far better to raise this \$714,000 by voluntary method than to be forced to raise \$1,900,000 by the compulsory taxation plan for district hospitals."

Associate chairmen of the campaign organization are Eugene Thorndike, John G. Crawford, Glenn L. Jackson and Walter G. Garner.

Two Divisions

The campaign organization is broken down into two divisions: advance gifts committee and general organization for general solicitation.

Medford Community hospital on East Main st., will be a three-story steel frame, reinforced concrete structure. Windows will be aluminum, and the building is designed for future expansion. It will be fireproof and have two elevators. The structure will face south on Barnett rd., and there will be ample parking facilities on the 20-acre site.

Members of the advance gifts committee are Eugene Thorndike, chairman; Glenn L. Jackson, co-chairman; and Hugh Coleman, E. B. DeVoe and Mark Goldy, associate chairmen.

The organization for general solicitation in the fund raising campaign is under the leadership of Walter G. Garner with James J. Dunlevy as associate chairman. The organization will be composed of 12 groups of 10 in each group.

The 12 groups are now being organized, and Garner has urged any man interested in serving who has time available to contact him or campaign headquarters at 28 South Bartlett st. Managers of several groups

now being organized are Sam Colton, Dick Finch, Jame Rowan, Curtis Hopkins, Ron Gander, and Robert E. Schott.

Jackson is chairman of a special group which is organized with 19 workers.

New members of the board of directors are Otto Bohnert, the Rev. George R. V. Bolster, Leon Boomer, A. S. V. Carpenter, Charles W. Cray, John G. Crawford, the Rt. Rev. B. D. Dagwell, E. B. DeVoe, James Dunlevy, Otto J. Frohnmayer, Mrs. William Fluhrer, Dwight Houghton, Glenn L. Jackson, Martin Luther, Ray Sorenson, Eugene D. Thorndike and John R. Tomlin.

Members of County Court To Attend Convention of AOC

Members of the Jackson county court will leave Nov. 14 for an Association of Oregon Counties convention to be held at the Imperial hotel, Portland, Nov. 16, 17, and 18.

Court members will also attend the Oregon and California General Assembly meeting in Portland Nov. 15, and the congressional committee hearings on the sale of O. and C. timber, Nov. 19.

To Engineers Meeting

County Engineer, Paul Rynning, will go to Portland Nov. 15, to attend a meeting of the County engineers association, Nov. 16, 17, and 18.

At the Nov. 15 meeting, representatives from the 18 western Oregon land grant counties will discuss problems and matters of policy in connection with O. and C. lands.

During the meeting of county officials from all counties in the state, Nov. 16, 17, and 18, general problems arising in county government, such as taxation, welfare, and roads, will be aired.

To Attend Hearing
The members of the court plan to remain in Portland for the congressional committee hearings Nov. 19. The hearings will deal with alleged abuses in the sale of O. and C. and Forest Service timber, including excess allowances made for access roads and failure to collect for timber cut in excess of government cruises.

Reedsport Man Dies

In Auto Accident

Scottsburg — (U.P.) — Norman J. Love, 21, of Reedsport, was killed instantly about 1 a.m. Saturday when his car went out of control on a curve on Highway 38 near here.

Douglas County Coroner R. L. Powers said Love's companion, Hallie Henning, also of Reedsport, was not injured. Both men were stationed at the Whidbey Island Naval Base near Seattle.

Firemen Accepting Toys for Annual Christmas Project

Medford area residents are being asked to cooperate with the Medford fire department in the annual collection of toys for the Christmas Toy project.

Collection of old toys for repair and distribution to underprivileged families of the valley has become a tradition with the Medford fire department and the Medford Lady Lions. This will be the 25th year the project has been conducted.

The toys are repaired by firemen and distribution is made by members of the Medford Lady Lions.

Dec. 12 Deadline

Firemen are now accepting toys at the main fire station at Third and Front sts. Deadline for receiving toys has been set for Dec. 12, and the department is asking that those planning to contribute toys do so as early as possible to allow time for repair and distribution.

All types of toys are acceptable, including dolls, tricycles, bicycles, wagons, scooters, complete puzzles and others. Gifts such as old portable radios and costume jewelry are needed for older age groups.

The annual fireman's ball, to help raise funds for the toy project, will be held Nov. 23, Thanksgiving day eve, at Rogue Valley ballroom. Tickets will be on sale Monday and Tuesday in the downtown area.

State Schools Given

Basic Research Grants

Washington — (U.P.) — A basic research grant of \$25,500 for a three-year University of Oregon physics project and grants for research at Oregon State college and Reed college have been approved by the National Science foundation.

The Oregon project will be conducted by the physics department and will concern the shift and broadening of spectral lines under high pressure.

The Oregon State grant of \$12,000 will be for three-year biochemical studies of a new virus.

Reed's \$2800 grant will be for studies of the synthesis of glutathione by the yeast "T. Utilis."

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DAV TALENT SHOW WINNERS—The Ayers twins, Judy and Jackie, shown above, were top winners in the junior age group at the Disabled American Veterans' Annual Amateur show, last year. The twins presented a dance number. This year's show will be held Nov. 9 at 8 p.m. in the Medford High school auditorium. Any youngster under 18 who wishes to enter the contest should contact DAV headquarters, 1515 North Riverside ave.

Japanese Couple Visit in Valley

Dr. Jouett P. Bray, Lozier school of the University of Oregon, has reported that Dr. and Mrs. M. Kudo, Kobe, Japan, were his guests this week until Thursday, when the couple departed for their home.

Dr. Kudo has been in the United States for several months. He came here as a delegate to an American dental meeting in San Francisco, as a delegate from the Japanese Dental association, and has visited all states of the nation, and Canada.

Dr. Bray showed the visitors around the valley, and they visited Crater lake and other scenic spots. Dr. Bray and Dr. Kudo became acquainted last year when Dr. Bray was in Japan, and was a guest at a Lions club meeting in Kobe, at which he spoke.

Dr. Kudo is a graduate of Willamette university in Salem, and what is now the dental

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TV COWGIRL—Annie Oakley, star of Gene Autry television productions, will present a trick shot act as part of the Gene Autry show at Hedrick Junior high school auditorium, Nov. 1, at 4:30 and 8 p.m. In addition to Miss Oakley, acts will be presented by Gene Autry, Pat Buttram, the Cass Country Boys, and many others.

Preaching Mission To Start Today

Eagle Point — The first service in the St. Peters Lutheran Preaching mission will be held today at 6 p.m. at the Eagle Point Grange hall, according to an announcement from the Medford St. Peters Lutheran church.

A moving picture on the value of training children in sound Christianity will be shown until 8:30 p.m., and a Sunday school

session and Bible study for adults will then commence. A preaching service will be held at 7:30 p.m. when the Rev. Kenneth Korb, pastor of the Medford congregation, will speak.

The residents of Eagle Point, Shady Cove and Trail areas are invited and those who have no church affiliations are offered a special invitation.

The festival of reformation will be celebrated at the Medford location, 1020 East Main st., Monday at 8 p.m. Services will include a sermon "The Willing Are Compelled," on the gospel for the day, and a celebration of the Holy sacrament will be conducted.

Postmasters Gather To Lay Yule Plans

Moore Hamilton, Medford, was one of seven southern Oregon postmasters who gathered in Grants Pass last week to lay plans for handling the annual Christmas rush of mailings. The meeting was held at the Grants Pass post office Thursday.

Among those speaking were A. J. Tonsing, district operations manager from Portland; Paul G. Young, district transportation manager, and J. A. Eidark, of the postal inspection service.

Plans for extra space and help were outlined, and the need for educating the public to the importance of plain addressing and secure wrapping were emphasized.

Other postmasters attending were from Grants Pass, Ashland, Cave Junction, Phoenix, Brookings and Eagle Point.

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

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