

Local Government Problems Will Be Discussed March 1

March 1, Thursday, has been picked as the date for a hearing in Medford on problems to local government.

Twenty-four persons, representing various interests in Jackson, Josephine and Klamath counties, met in Klamath Falls Friday afternoon to discuss arrangements for the hearings and to set the times for them. The Medford hearing will be followed by one in Klamath Falls the following day, March 2.

Urged To Attend
Any person or group wishing to get on the record problems affecting local government is urged to do so during the hearings. Invitations are being sent out to all city and county governments in the three counties, and to all other units of government, including special districts.

The hearings are being conducted by the state legislative interim committee on local government, which was set up by the 1955 legislature to make a study of the problems, and to prepare suggestions for legislation which might aid in solving them.

Josephine County Judge Raymond Lathrop, a committee member and Robert Johnson, executive secretary of the committee, conducted the Friday meeting. Jackson county people attending were County Judge Rodney Keating, Mayor Earl Miller and City Manager Robert Duff of Medford, and Eric Allen Jr., managing editor of the Mail Tribune.

Local Arrangements
Duff and Miller plan to call a meeting here next week to set up local arrangements for the Medford hearing, which probably will be held in the courthouse. It is expected to be an evening meeting.

The committee has a wide field of study, according to Johnson. He said preliminary meetings have indicated there are eight general subjects on which the committee hopes to gain information and proposed solutions. These are:

1. Ways that sewage disposal, water, fire and police protection, public transportation, parks and recreation, road construction and maintenance can best be provided and financed in unincorporated urban areas and in new or growing cities.
2. Annexation and incorporation laws and procedures.
3. Local government organization, and the differing types of governmental units serving expanding suburban areas.
4. Functions and powers of county and city governments in serving such areas.
5. Methods of financing costs of public services in these expanding areas.
6. Taxation methods, including overlapping and equitable sharing of tax burdens.
7. Governmental controls over such things as subdivisions, building, zoning, inspection and others.
8. Separate problems relating

to the first seven.

Committee Listed
In addition to judge Lathrop, committee members are Portland City Commissioner Ormond Bean, chairman; State Sen. Paul E. Geddes, Roseburg; State Rep. V. Edwin Johnson; State Rep. V. Edwin Johnson; Eugene; State Rep. George Layman, Newberg; State Rep. Al Loucks, Salem; Curtis M. Ev-

A Nichol's Worth of . . . Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
United Press Feature Writer

Washington — (U.P.) — Everyone knows a dollar bill is worth about half a buck. But it may surprise you to learn it's also half cotton.



I was asked the other day to find out how much it costs to make each buck with its resemblance of George Washington. It's a very good question, according to the people at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

First, there is the material. The one spot, like the bills which run up to \$100,000, are half linen and half cotton. There also are the red and blue fibers which are imbedded by secret processes into the paper. Then there's the ink which the bureau manufactures by mixing dry colors, oils and the like.

Looks Like Bakery
Manpower is also a factor. If you saw the ink mixers in action, you'd think you were in the hind end of a bakery where they mix other kinds of dough.

Then there are the Secret Service boys who are on the lookout for counterfeiters, not that they are apt to find any in their own shop.

Add it all up and you have to be a mathematician to calculate how much it costs to produce each bill. I'm no mathematician. When the cotton part of the bill starts to wear to a fray, and is limp, it is turned over to the Treasury and burned. A new bill is then substituted.

My questioner also wanted to know how long it might be before the late Franklin D. Roosevelt gets his likeness on a paper bill. The answer is up to the Secretary of Treasury who has the final say.

Some Out of Print
Gen. Washington now is on the dollar bill. Woodrow Wilson is on the \$100,000 gold certificate—something that doesn't sell very well these days. It's small enough, but is a little hard to bust up when you buy a 15-cent beer.

Salmon P. Chase is pictured on the \$10,000 federal reserve note. But none have been printed since 1945 because the de-

erts, Portland, secretary of the state sanitary authority, and John P. Misko, Oregon City.

The present series of hearings is to seek both information as to problems and proposals for their solution. After this, the committee will formulate tentative recommendations, and then will hold a second series of hearings before submitting them to the legislature.

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12 Fire Hydrants Installed Recently
Twelve new fire hydrants were installed in Medford during the past month, Robert Lee, assistant water superintendent announced Friday.

The installations are part of a water department program to improve the city's fire protection rating. Available water supply and condition of the water distribution system are important factors in determining the rating, Lee said.

Six of the new hydrants were placed in new locations, the other six replaced old, obsolete hydrants which were too small and for which it was difficult to obtain replacement parts. Fire hydrants being replaced were installed between 1905 and 1908.

New hydrants have been installed at East Ninth st. and South Central ave., West Third and North Fir sts., West Fifth and North Fir sts., Jackson and Saginaw drives; Aloha st. at Valley View dr., and Highland dr. at Roxy Anne rd.

Illinois voters have favored Republican candidates in eight of the past 14 presidential elections.

Pickin' Pears News and Notes From Camp White

By BILL HURN

THE VAVS advisory committee meeting was held at Elks Temple Monday night with Chief of Special Services Frank J. Glonning, chairman of the group presiding. Thirteen committee representatives from as many civic clubs, lodges and other organizations and nine VA staff members, with two volunteer assistants, comprised the January forum group.

Glonning outlined the special programs for the first two months of the new year, and introduced Assistant Manager Reuban H. Denning, who reported on items of member load and waiting list; transfers and replacements on the staff, announcing his own transfer to Iowa City, Ia. and the appointment of Harold Jaffrey as his successor as assistant manager, effective as of Jan. 15. He thanked all for their work and cooperation and expressed regret at losing associations of Camp White.

Announcement was made by Glonning of the social service emergency fund with report of pledges already having been made to it. History, experience and progress elsewhere under VA was reported by Social Service Chief Herbert S. Daniels and a copy of its rules given to each committee member.

Organizational sponsorship of sports and contest activities was discussed and BPOE volunteered, rating the preference of selection of the activity they might prefer.

Report was made on the findings of the national VAVS advisory committee on the turnover of volunteer workers and it was given study and appreciation expressed on the filing of the data requested on the committee's questionnaire.

Volunteer worker information cards for 1956 were distributed for crediting toward certificates earned by the workers. Credits for casual unlisted groups contributing assistance over the year will now rate certificate

credit was announced. Tentative dates for Turn-About Party, anniversary of national VAVS, and Hobby Fair were given and discussed.

A plea for more sewing volunteers and at a greater frequency was made. Sewing machine and materials under VA are available according to Glonning.

The meeting closed on a full evening of revised accomplishments and with additional plans. Friday afternoon and evening VFW and auxiliary from Grants Pass were at Camp White for their regular monthly treat. The auxiliary under Mrs. Lelia Birch and Mrs. Helen Lusk, VAVS representative and alternate, made ward visitations to with candy and cigarettes. In the evening Hospital Chairman George Perry and Mrs. Perry, with Clyde Jessup and Herman Wood assisting, held a game session for members.

VA employees awards recently made by Manager E. K. Ricker were to Miss Lilah McCullough on a members certificate suggestions; to Elmer Richey for a vase wall-bracket plan, and to Melvin H. Lewis for an idea on extension cord arrangement.

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Valley Equipment Is New Holland Dealer

Valley Equipment company, Highway 99 south, has been appointed authorized New Holland dealer by R. M. Wade and company, Portland, New Holland distributors for the Pacific Northwest.

R. A. Naumes of the company pointed out that New Holland's farm-engineered machinery is a leader in mechanizing American farms, and equipment in the complete New Holland line will be particularly important in the Medford area.

Equipment will include forage harvesters, row crop, windrow and sicklebar attachments, and a series of New Holland balers.

A special display will be held at the Valley Equipment showrooms in the near future.

On The Side

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Oh, that it were possible, After long grief and pain To find the arms of my true love, Round me once again! In a wretched doze I sorrow For the hand, the lips, the eyes, For the meeting of the morn'g, The delight of happy laughter, The delight of low replies. —TENNYSON.

Note it said that only about 15 per cent of American wives love their husbands. I question that. I believe at least 20 per cent of the married women of this country love their husbands. In any event the average American woman who does not love her husband is extremely clever at making the best of the situation. It was Roger de Bussy-Rabutin who said, "When we can't get what we love, we must love what we have."

Almost Confidential
Gypsy Rose Lee, the daring danseuse, in discussing the somewhat unresponsive reception of her dance in Glasgow, said, "The Scots are not interested in sex. They like comedy." . . . On New Year's Eve in Luxembourg all women are bound by tradition to give a kiss to any man who asks for one.

Please Note
Shelley defined a kiss as "the soft and sweet eclipse when soul meets soul on lovers' lips." . . . Am asked where in the Bible can be found the saying "murder will out." It is not in the Bible. It is from Chaucer.

Asking
Queries from clients. Q. What was the coldest day in New York City history? A. Fourteen below zero on Feb. 9, 1934. . . Q. Have you a reader in Love, Ark.? A. No, sir. None in Henpeck, Ill., either. . . Q. I understand you played football at four prep schools and five colleges. Right? A. That's wrong. I only played

football at three prep schools and three colleges.

Passing By
Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, king of jazz trumpeters. Eight months ago Louis was quite a mass of manhood. Weighed 272. Now he is a streamlined fellow. Weighs only 171. Credits his remarkable weight reduction to a herbal formula furnished by the debonair dietician, Gayelord Hauser.

Briefly
How long do you think it would take a jet plane to travel from Soviet Russian to the United States? The answer is about seven minutes. Wales, Alaska, is only 74 miles from Russia. . . . As for the possibility of a happy marriage for those who marry very young, consider the case of Mahatma Gandhi. He married when 13. His bride was 10 years old. They remained married for over 60 years and had four sons.

Asides
You have the pronunciation situation well in hand if you can correctly pronounce the following words: impious, irreparable, precedence, domicile, consummate. . . . What pitcher rightly rates the nickname "Iron Man"? How about Satchel Paige who once pitched 29 games in one month? That was when he was with the Bismarck, N.D., team which in one season won 104 games out of 105 played.

Elevators in the U. S. carry about 30 times as many passengers each year as are carried by the railroads.

FBI To Hold Auto Theft Conferences

Federal Bureau of Investigation law enforcement conferences on auto theft will be held in Eugene, Portland and Pendleton in April, according to J. F. Santoiana Jr., special agent in charge of the Portland FBI office.

The conferences are designed to encourage additional coordination among law enforcement agencies and improve efficiency in dealing with auto theft. Conferences will be conducted on a forum basis providing mutual exchange of information. Santoiana said that 1954 there were an estimated 215,940 automobiles stolen. Although 94 per

cent were located, the 12,956 cars not recovered represented an investment of more than \$12,000,000, he said.

A similar series of conferences was held in 1952, when 8,707 individuals representing 3,121 agencies participated.

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