

Eisenhower Declared Fit for other Term

NON-CITY USE OF SERVICES TALKED

The question of how far Medford should extend its water and sewage facilities to areas outside the city was brought up at a planning commission meeting last night when Berrydale and Grandview districts requested permission to connect to the Camp White trunk sewer line. Spokesmen for both districts stated that the areas had reached a point where septic tanks can no longer be used, and in order to continue development, sanitary sewers are essential. Members of the Planning Commission pointed out there is a question as to how far the city would go in extending the use of its facilities to perimeter areas. They said there is a danger that the city would become surrounded by individual districts where there is no directed development, and that these districts would eventually impede Medford's growth. They suggested that it would be to the immediate advantage of those areas, and to the eventual advantage of the city, if they would petition for annexation rather than continuing with plans for installation of sanitary sewers. Berrydale sanitary district has had a contract with the city for several years for use of the city trunk lines and sewage disposal facilities, but because of bonding difficulties has not installed sewage lines. They now desire a renewal and clarification of the contract. Ervin Hogan, attorney for the district, said last night that they were ready to issue bonds and begin sewer construction.

Morton Tompkins, Former Master of State Grange, Dies

Salem—(U.P.)—Morton Tompkins, 71, a past master of the Oregon State Grange and a nationally known agriculturist, died today in a local hospital after a long illness. Tompkins was State Grange master from 1942 to 1950. He was a member of the State House of Representatives from 1929 to 1931 and was known as the father of Oregon's school bus law. He was a leader in enactment of the Oregon people's utility district act, and an advocate of federal development of Northwest river systems. Tompkins had been a member of the McMinnville Grange since 1922 and was a past master there. He was overseer of the State Grange from 1924 until 1942. Tompkins was a member of the first advisory committee of the State Department of Agriculture in 1931. In 1943 he was one of five guests of the British government on a three-month inspection tour of agriculture in Britain. As a result of this tour, at Tompkins' instigation, grew the International Federation of Agriculture Producers. He operated a farm at Grand Island near here for many years. Survivors include his widow, Maude; two sons and one daughter. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at Hopewell, Ore.

Proper Cooking Advised for Pork

Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, advised county residents today of proper pork cooking procedures after two cases of trichinosis were diagnosed in the county recently. He warned that a great amount of pork harbors the trichina larvae, and can infect others eating the meat if it is insufficiently cooked or improperly processed. All pork which might harbor the larvae must be cooked so that all parts of the meat reaches 150 degrees Fahrenheit. Commercially sold hams or other processed pork which have been federally or state inspected are safe, he said, but home-cured meats are potentially dangerous. Pigs most often are infected with the larvae by eating uncooked garbage containing infected raw pork. Garbage might also be infected by rats who harbor the larvae, he said. The trichina larvae is lodged in muscles of animals affected and there is no direct treatment for the serious disease, according to Dr. Merkel.

McKay Would Support Nixon for President

Washington—(U.P.)—Interior Secretary Douglas McKay said yesterday he has only one candidate for the Republican presidential nomination—President Eisenhower—but would support Vice-President Richard M. Nixon if the president doesn't run. McKay, a former governor of Oregon, called Nixon "one of my favorite young men." But he said he still hopes Mr. Eisenhower will decide to seek a second term despite the heart attack he suffered last Sept. 24.

Road Conditions

Highway 62, Prospect—Motorists advised to carry chains; one inch new snow.
Highway 99, Siskiyou—Carrying chains advised; spots of ice, snow flurries.
Highway 66, Green Springs—Spots of ice, no new snow.
Chains required at Government Camp, Timberline and Willamette pass.

Congress Told Democratic Plan To Raise Tax on Highway Users Would Be Lacking

Washington—(U.P.)—Treasury Secretary George M. Humphrey told Congress today a Democratic plan to raise taxes on highway users would produce "less than half" of the revenue needed to pay for the expanded road building program Democrats are proposing. Yield Less Than Needed He said the proposed taxes would yield \$9,100,000,000 over a 12-year period, or \$11,900,000,000 less than is needed under the proposed building program. Therefore, he told the House Ways and Means committee, the Democratic plan would not put highway building on a true "pay as you build basis." Humphrey was the first wit-

Khrushchev Issues Challenge for Economic Battle

Capitalist World Not To Hold Lead

Moscow—(U.P.)—Soviet Communist party boss Nikita S. Khrushchev challenged the capitalist world to an all-out economic battle for survival today. In a major address to the 20th Communist Party Congress, the first since Josef Stalin's death in 1953, Khrushchev said the Soviet Union will also keep pace with capitalist power in arms production. Flanked by Premier Nikolai Bulganin, who has been missing for a month, and other top party leaders, Khrushchev said the advances of Communism no longer would be confined to the Soviet Union alone. Challenge Capitalism "The principal feature of our effort is the emergence of socialism from the confines of one country and its transformation into a world system," he said frankly. The Soviet Union, the party newspaper Pravda said, possesses "all the necessary conditions . . . to catch up with and surpass the most highly developed capitalist countries in per capita production . . . In this field the struggle is worldwide. If we win here, then we shall win on an international scale, definitely and for all time." During his five-hour speech, Khrushchev struck the same note and made these other points:

1. The United States must admit the Communist camp is "invincible" and establish good relations with Russia in line with the recent friendship treaty offer, or else see "an arms race on a greater scale and a still more dangerous growth of forces on both sides."
2. The internal forces of the capitalist economy are working toward its downfall, while the Communist economy is steadily rising towards its goal of proving itself to the world and transforming itself into a world system through peaceful competition.
3. The United States "has passed the peak in the use of its postwar economic possibilities and no new markets are in sight. Hence there are no prospects for a further serious rise in production."
4. The West is forming aggressive blocs and extending the cold war while Russia struggles for peace. "The international atmosphere has become poisoned by a war psychosis," he said.
5. "All the countries which do not belong to aggressive alliances can live in peace and perfect friendship with the USSR."
6. The Soviet Union by mutual assistance to Communist countries is now helping to build 391 enterprises and has granted long term credit totaling 21,000,000,000 rubles (approximately \$5,250,000,000) at most favorable conditions.

Set Bid Opening for Griffin Creek School

Bids for the construction of three additional classrooms at Griffin Creek school will be opened Feb. 28. A \$45,000 bond issue for construction of the classrooms was approved by the voters, Dec. 6, 1955. Plans call for possible start of construction in March and for completion this fall. The classrooms will be of concrete block construction and will accommodate about 70 students. Plans and specifications will be issued by James K. Hoey, consulting engineer, 56 Quince st. Salem—(U.P.)—James R. Bain of Portland has filed his candidacy here for reelection as Multnomah county circuit judge.

American Housewife Pancake Race Winner

By UNITED PRESS An American housewife, Mrs. Adina Jordan, ran a 415-yard course in 1:14.8 at Liberal, Kan., today to give her country victory and a 4-3 lead in the International Pancake Race against the women of Olney, England. The 24-year-old international winner is a blue-eyed blonde beauty who ran and flipped her way through a dense Kansas fog. A crowd of 7500 lined Liberal's streets to watch the unusual race. In Olney, 18-year-old Cicely Sparrow sprinted home in 1:15.2.

Roseburg Sets Budget for School District

Roseburg—(U.P.)—A budget of \$2,137,103.34 for School District No. 4 in Roseburg was set last night by the School Board for the coming year. A vote will be held March 9 on \$1,069,631.39 of the budget which is outside the 6 per cent limitation. The School Board said it anticipated an increase of 336 pupils and 14 teachers during the next school year.

Civil Service Probe Of Congressmen Told

Washington—(U.P.)—The Civil Service Commission has admitted that it sometimes makes loyalty-security investigations of congressmen and keeps the information in a "permanent confidential file." But generally few people are questioned except close friends of the congressman. These disclosures came in reply to a House Government Operations subcommittee which wanted to find out whether the commission was investigating congressmen and for what. The Civil Service Commission last year, in reply to a routine questionnaire from the subcommittee, stated: "The commission does not maintain security files on members of Congress." The United Press revealed, however, that the commission had made security investigations of several members of Congress, including Sens. Charles E. Potter (R-Mich.), Irving M. Ives (D-N.Y.) and James E. Murray (D-Mont.)

Dow-Jones Averages

New York—(U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 465.72, off 1.45; 20 railroads 154.51, off 0.76; 15 utilities, 64.44, off 0.61, and 65 stocks 165.73, off 0.78. Sales today were about 1,590,000 shares.

Cleveland Baseball Club Sold for \$3,961,800

Cleveland—(U.P.)—The Cleveland Indians Baseball club today approved a plan to sell the American League baseball club for \$3,961,800. The new stockholders include General Manager Hank Greenberg of the Indians, and Ignatius O'Shaughnessy of St. Paul. O'Shaughnessy is owner of the Globe Oil Co. and a director of the Nickel Plate Railroad.

St. Valentine's Day Observed in Oregon as 97th Anniversary of Admission To Union

Portland—(U.P.)—It's happy birthday today for a grand old lady but it will be a quiet one. No parties, no fanfare, no whooping it up because she is 97 today, St. Valentine's day. A little old for boisterous actions in spite of the fact that she looks to be much less than her years. No, if the people don't mind this lady will just rest quietly and bask in her memories and glory in her children. For she has many of both, some small, some big—some famous, some not so. Oregon today accepts the love and good wishes of her kin as she celebrates another milestone, this one just three years short of the century mark. It was on Feb. 14, 1859, that Oregon was granted her present boundaries and became a full fledged member of the United States. James Buchanan, the 15th president, signed the bill 97 years ago today that made Oregon the 33rd state. John Whiteaker served as governor in that first state government and since that time 26 other men have been called upon to assume the responsibilities as senior son of the old lady. A strange name, Oregon, but one for her to bear with grace and pride. The name dates back to her parenthood and early ancestors that claimed the bounty of her forests and plain. Oregon, or River of the West, as it meant to the Indian, although young at 97 in comparison to her neighbors, has already carved her niche in history. Twice in this century she has been called upon to sacrifice her sons in world wars and once earlier loaned her name to the fleet to a gallant lady there. At 97 she is growing—growing fast. Her wealth and her beauty she gives freely. And in the course of these 97 years, her life has been a

Nixon Assails 'Helplessness' of Democratic Party

New York—(U.P.)—Vice President Richard M. Nixon assailed Democratic "helplessness" in civil rights Monday night and indicated Republicans will make desegregation a key election issue. The vice-president, in a speech at the 70th annual Lincoln Day dinner of the National Republican club at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, also scored the Democrats on the major campaign issues of foreign policy and big business. Nixon centered his attacks on Adlai Stevenson, charging that the 1952 Democratic standard bearer shows promise of becoming "the great hair splitter of 1956." He said the Eisenhower administration foreign policy provides the best chance for peace without surrender in the years ahead. "The test of failure or success of foreign policy is whether it results in war or peace and I am sure 165,000,000 Americans will agree with me when I say it is a lot better to be on the brink than in the drink as far as war is concerned," Nixon said. Because of the President's economic policies, America is today enjoying its greatest prosperity in history with gross national product, personal income, consumer expenditures and scores of other economic highs. Invitation to Negroes In a frank invitation to Negroes for Republican votes, the vice president said the Eisenhower administration has registered the greatest advance "in Negro rights since the Emancipation Proclamation. Nixon charged that "Democrats know their hybrid party is helpless and futile" in the fields of civil rights and race relations. He cited the Eisenhower administration as abolishing racial segregation in the armed forces, among employees working on federal contracts, among federal civilian employees and in the District of Columbia.

Southeast Zoning Group Named

Medford city planning commission last night appointed an eight-member committee of property owners and commission members to study zoning of the recently annexed southeast Medford area. The committee, which will use an already prepared map showing land use in the area, includes planning commission members E. N. McKinstry, Mark Goldy, and A. D. Harvey; and property owners Clifford Lewis, Jack VanDyke, Robert McIntyre, Jack Crawford and Ralph Pierce. After the committee has had an opportunity to propose zoning regulations for the area they will meet with a planning expert to further discuss the problem, according to City Manager Robert Duff. There were no objections raised at two public hearings on change of zone within the city and the commission passed a recommendation to the council that the requests for changes be granted. Zone changes asked were from commercial to light industrial for three lots at the end of Liberty st., and from single family to multiple family for Christian Science church property in the block six extension to Siskiyou Heights addition. The commission set March 5 as the date for a public hearing on proposed agricultural zone requirements, and for a hearing on a request for change of zone from two family to multiple family of property on the west side of Broad st. and the east side of Summit ave. between Jackson and Clark st's. Action was deferred on a request for a change of zone to allow a mortuary on Highland ave.

Courthouse Closure Petition Submitted

A petition seeking Saturday closure of the Jackson county courthouse was presented to the county court today signed by 106 officials and courthouse employees. County Judge J. Rodney Keating said the court would take the petition "under advisement." The petition states that the majority of law offices already close on Saturday, that the state law allows such closure, that work during Saturday hours is negligible, and that it is "in the best interests of the offices and personnel and people of the county." Other courthouses closed all day Saturday include Multnomah and Marion counties.

Russian Entry in Mid-East Fight Seen

Washington—(U.P.)—Chairman Walter F. George of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee warned today that "if we become involved in war in the Middle East, Russia is stepping in." The veteran Georgian said "that would be the excuse she has been looking for." For that reason, George told newsmen, "I do not believe it would be wise to make any shipment of arms into that area at this time in the hope that by peaceful means we can bring about an adjustment" without open conflict. Israel has been appealing to the United States since November to sell it arms to counter Communist shipments of weapons to Egypt. But the State Department so far has taken no action on the request.

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No Medical Reason For President Not To Continue Work

Good Recovery Said Made Since Attack

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower's physicians said today there was no medical reason why the President could not continue his active life in the White House for another term. Dr. Paul Dudley White, the Boston heart specialist, said that as far as his medical conclusions were involved "the President should be able to carry on an active life satisfactorily for another five to ten years, but the choice is his, not ours." Basis of Workload The doctors gave Mr. Eisenhower their favorable report on the basis, according to White, of how he had withstood his workload during the last five weeks. Asked whether his reference to "active life" referred to the presidency, White said yes. The staff of doctors attending the President said in a formal statement that Mr. Eisenhower had made "a good recovery" from his coronary thrombosis of last Sept. 24. They elaborated their views in a session with reporters shortly after they had given their findings to the President himself. Maj. Gen. Howard Snyder, the White House physician, said Mr. Eisenhower "showed no signs of heart failure or beginning heart failure." "We can report that the President's health continues to be satisfactory," said the formal statement read by Snyder in behalf of the doctors who gave the President a one-hour examination today. They elaborated their views in a session with reporters shortly after they had given their findings to the President himself. Maj. Gen. Howard Snyder, the White House physician, said Mr. Eisenhower "showed no signs of heart failure or beginning heart failure." "We can report that the President's health continues to be satisfactory," said the formal statement read by Snyder in behalf of the doctors who gave the President a one-hour examination today.

Group Organized To Study Possible Ashland Hospital

Ashland—The Southern Oregon Memorial hospital is organized by about 300 people from the Ashland-Talent area at a "town meeting" here last night. Between 35 and 40 organizers were nominated to study possibilities of a new hospital, consider feasible sites, and estimate expenses in hiring an architect and perhaps a professional fund raiser. Organizers will elect officers at a meeting which probably will be held next week, according to John Cotton, co-chairman of the committee which called last night's meeting. Cotton and Ed Singmaster were appointed about six months ago to investigate possibilities of organizing a group to obtain a new hospital in Ashland to serve the Ashland-Talent area. The proposal for a new hospital here has been considered often in the past 12 years. Cotton said the committee studying possibilities decided not to proceed too quickly, so the group could examine the campaign recently for the Rogue Valley Memorial hospital in Medford. The present Ashland General hospital is city-owned.

Budget Committee Meeting Tonight

The Medford citizen's budget committee will meet today at 7 p.m. in the mayor's office at the city hall. Officers will be elected and committees appointed to continue work on the 1956-57 city budget.

Tomorrow Marks Start Of Lenten Season

Tomorrow, Feb. 15, is Ash Wednesday, and marks the beginning of Lent which starts 40 days before Easter. On Ash Wednesday the ashes from palms burned from the previous year's Palm Sunday are blessed and in some ceremonies used to mark a cross on the foreheads of the congregation. The 40 days of Lent correspond to Christ's 40-day fast in the wilderness.

Jackson County Wholesale Sales Totals \$81,415,000

Wholesale sales in Jackson county amounted to \$81,415,000 during 1954, according to preliminary results of the 1954 census of business announced by the U.S. department of commerce bureau of census. Merchant wholesalers, totaling 74 in the county, sold \$62,359,000 and other types of wholesale establishments numbering 31, sold \$19,056,000 merchandise. Merchant wholesalers are primarily engaged in buying, storing and handling goods sold, while "other types" of wholesalers include such establishments as sales branches and sales offices of manufacturing and mining companies; petroleum bulk plants and terminals, merchandise agents and brokers; and assemblers of farm products. Oregon Sales Oregon wholesale sales amounted to \$2,328,970,000 in 1954, an increase of 26.1 per cent over sales of \$1,846,439,000 in 1948. A total of 2,991 wholesale establishments in 1954 reported 28,752 employees and had an annual payroll of \$123,080,000, compared with 2,345 establishments, 28,491 employees, and an annual payroll of \$91,276,000 in 1948. The 115 Jackson county establishments listed 1,004 employees in 1954 and a payroll of \$4,648,000. Medford's wholesale establishments numbered 81, with 484 employees and a payroll of \$2,478,000 for the year. They included 59 merchant wholesalers with \$38,488,000 sales and 22 other types totaling \$12,891,000. Jackson county was third high in the state as to amount of sales in 1954 for merchant wholesalers and showed a 176 per cent increase in volume over 1948. It was third with other types of wholesale establishments, but showed a decrease of 16.7 per cent from 1948.

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