

'OIL MONEY' HEARINGS END IN WITNESS CONFLICT

Proposals Presented to Help Solve Fringe Area Problems

Seven proposals for state legislation to help solve Medford's growing fringe area problems were presented by the city last night to a seven member state legislative interim committee.

Boise Firm Gets Contract for RVMH Steel Frame Work

The contract for providing steel and erection of structural steel frame work of the new Rogue Valley Memorial Hospital was awarded to Gates City Steel company, Boise, Ida., today.

growth rather than to an arbitrary percentage figure. The city budget under existing laws may be increased only 6 per cent per year, regardless of the percentage of population increase.



ANDREW HAWVER Announces Candidacy

Deputy Assessor Seeks Nomination

Andrew Hawver, 42, today announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Jackson county assessor.

Hawver, who resides at route 1, box 186, Talent, with his wife and three children, has been a deputy county assessor since 1949.

Agreement Seen on Upper Colorado Bill

Washington—(U.P.)—The bill authorizing the Upper Colorado river project went to a Senate-House conference today with a prediction of quick agreement.

daries be provided so that the city school district will have jurisdiction within the limits of the city.

Suggestions made to the committee by other groups included the formation of a state planning agency; county-wide building codes with the approval of the county sanitarian necessary to obtain building permits; and the approval of county sanitarians before any property loans could be made.

The problem most frequently brought up at the meeting was that of proper sewage disposal in fringe areas. It was pointed out that many areas had become so densely populated that the use of septic tanks is no longer feasible as a method of sewage disposal.

Bob Hart, county sanitarian, and Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer, pointed out a need for more controlled growth in the county.

Hart stated that there were few methods of controlling such problems as ground water accumulation, and sewage and garbage disposal in the county. He recommended more power be given to planning commissions and said he would approve a county building code with county sanitarian inspection of sewage and water facilities necessary to enable builders to obtain permits.

The Josephine county sanitarian stated that sanitation problems in that county were much the same as here. He stated that the principal control now exercised by sanitarians is that their approval is necessary before property owners can obtain state or federal housing loans.

Interim committee members present at the hearing were Ormond R. Bean, Portland city commissioner, chairman; Judge Raymond A. Lathrop, Grants Pass; State Sen. Paul Geddes of Roseburg; and State Sanitarian Curtis E. Everts of Portland.

Italian President Ends Washington Stay

Washington—(U.P.)—Italian President Giovanni Gronchi winds up his four-day Washington visit today and begins a swing through the United States and Canada.

The 68-year-old Italian chief of state was scheduled to leave by plane this morning for Norfolk, Va., to visit headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Naval Command and later to tour Williamsburg, Va., the restored colonial capital of Virginia.

Salem—(U.P.)—Oregon Farm Bureau Federation has urged Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) to support the so-called "trip lease" bill which gives the Interstate Commerce Commission power to regulate the leasing of common and contract carriers.

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GEORGE RODE Seeks DA's Office

George Rode Files As Candidate for District Attorney

George W. Rode, Medford attorney, today filed for the Republican nomination for Jackson county district attorney.

Rode said "administering the law for the people of Jackson county vigorously and impartially is the basic duty of the district attorney's office. The successful prosecution of law-breakers is the most certain way of deterring them and others of like intentions."

He is married and has four children. He lives in the Griffin Creek area. Rode has been active in civic and community affairs, especially being interested in problems of outlying districts, he said.

McKay Accused of Biased Testimony

Washington—(U.P.)—Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) today accused Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay of giving "unreliable and biased" testimony on the Hells Canyon dam.

Morse said McKay's statement to a joint Congressional committee last month that the dam is not feasible from an engineering standpoint is contradicted by his own department's statement of May 5, 1953.

House Group Votes Funds For Veterans, Health

Washington—(U.P.)—The House Appropriations committee voted today to put up \$8,300,000,000 for veterans, health services and a variety of other government functions.

The money, provided in two different bills, exceeded President Eisenhower's requests by \$154,000,000.

The Veterans administration would get the biggest sum, \$4,700,000,000 for care and benefits of veterans. This total was only \$785,860 more than the President sought.

Jordan Fires Head Of Arab Legion in Surprise Action

British Cabinet Summoned by Eden

London—(U.P.)—Jordan today fired Lt. Gen. John Glubb Pasha as commander of its Arab Legion and Sir Anthony Eden called an emergency Cabinet meeting to discuss the major blow to British influence in the Middle East.

Informed sources said the Minister took a "grave view" of Jordan's action and of its probable effects throughout the Middle East where Israel and its Arab neighbors have approached the brink of war many times in the past few years.

Eden called his Cabinet, and the chiefs of Britain's armed forces, as soon as the news of Glubb's dismissal reached him. The ministers of war, air and admiralty are not members of the regular Cabinet.

The firing of Glubb and his staff ended the greatest desert legend since Lawrence of Arabia and threatened one of Britain's last major strongholds in the Middle East. The pint-sized Glubb and two of his similarly sacked staff officers left by plane for London today.

The Foreign Office issued a statement terming Glubb's abrupt dismissal after 30 years of friendship with the Arab kingdom a "deep shock."

Britain virtually created the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and even now underwrites the Arab Legion to the tune of \$22,000,000 a year.

For 30 years British Gen. John Bagot Glubb, five-four in the Arab burnoose he customarily wore, toiled in the desert to create a fighting legion. He had formally commanded the red-shirted Arab troops since 1939.

New Administrator Assumes Duties Here

James L. Pullman, former county welfare administrator for Union county, assumed duties today as Jackson county welfare administrator. His appointment to replace Mrs. Blanche Lyman was announced early last month.

Pullman is a graduate of Washington State college and the University of Utah, and was appointed Union county administrator in September, 1954. His family is staying in a Medford motel until they can find a "large house," Pullman said.

Mrs. Lyman, who served as case worker and administrator for more than 21 years, was dismissed Jan. 13. The state welfare commission this week withdrew a charge that she "lacked loyalty to the department," when she agreed not to contest her dismissal.

Richard Hager, field representative for the state commission, has served as temporary county administrator. He plans to return to Portland Tuesday.

Junior Chamber Board Opens Spring Meeting

Corvallis—(U.P.)—The annual Spring board meeting of the Oregon State Junior Chamber of Commerce opened here today, and some 500 representatives for Jaycee chapters from all parts of the state were expected to attend the three day conference.



GOES INTO SECLUSION—Atherine Lucy, Negro coed shown above as she entered an Alabama courtroom recently in her legal battle to be readmitted as a student at the University of Alabama, was in seclusion in New York today. Her attorney, Thurgood Marshall, said Miss Lucy is recuperating from "shock and distress" of being expelled from the university. The coed said she planned tentatively to return to Alabama in "a few days" to continue her attempt to end the white traditions at the school.

Mount Etna Eruption May Become Threat To Alarmed Villagers

Catania, Sicily—(U.P.)—Boiling lava gushing down the scarred slopes of Mount Etna plunged today into a time-worn safety channel, averting immediate danger to Afferana, a town of 5000 lying in its path.

The great killer volcano, that has snuffed out an estimated 1,000,000 lives since it first pushed up from the ocean floor, began erupting three days ago.

Siskiyou Land Use For Recreation Urged

Portland—(U.P.)—Virgil T. Heath, supervisor of the Bureau of Land Management for Oregon, today proposed withdrawal of 7,870 acres of public land in Siskiyou National Forest along the Rogue river for recreational purposes.

An application has been filed in the Portland land office for the withdrawal, thus banning prospecting and location of mining claims in the area pending action by the Department of Interior.

The public has 30 days in which to register objections. Heath said the lands were in a strip about one-half mile wide on each side of the Rogue, beginning near Whitepeak Camp at the mouth of Whiskey creek and extending to a point about eight air miles.

Heath said the lands had high scenic and recreational value and the withdrawal would protect them from commercial exploitation while protecting all existing rights.

Morse Loses Fight Against Eastland

Washington—(U.P.)—The Senate by voice vote today named Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.) as chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee despite the vigorous objections of two Northern Democrats.

Sens. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) and Herbert H. Lehman (D-N.Y.) charged in Senate speeches that Eastland couldn't be an impartial chairman because of his expressed views on racial integration in the public schools and his attacks upon the Supreme Court decision on the issue.

But the Senate approved Eastland by a large voice vote with only a few "nos."

Attempt To Give Hickenlooper Sum Causes Controversy

Perjury Prosecution Declared Possible

Washington—(U.P.)—The sensation-packed hearings into "oil money" campaign contributions ended today on a sharp note of conflict between witnesses.

The conflict revolved around whether an oil lobbyist tried to give \$2500 to the campaign fund of Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper (R-Ia.).

John M. Neff, Nebraska attorney for Superior Oil Company of California, swore he didn't.

Robert K. Goodwin, GOP national committeeman from Iowa, swore he did and stuck by his testimony in the face of challenging affidavits from Neff's lawyers.

Committee counsel Charles W. Steadman indicated it will be up to the Justice Department to desolve the sharp conflict in testimony. There could be a perjury prosecution. A federal Grand Jury is now in session here on Neff's activities.

Goodwin also stuck by previous testimony that Neff had paid calls on him twice.

Neff has insisted he paid only one call on Goodwin and never discussed a campaign contribution.

Neff's attorney, Ivor D. Evans of Broken Bow, Neb., today supported Neff in his testimony and formally challenged "truth" of Goodwin's sworn testimony.

Case's disclosure of the preferred contribution resulted in President Eisenhower's veto of the natural gas bill and a decision by the Senate to conduct a broad scale investigation of lobbying activities.

The hearings ended today were conducted by a special committee limited to the case contribution and Neff's activities in surrounding states in connection with the natural gas bill.

Hydrogen Bomb Tests Scheduled in April

Washington—(U.P.)—The government has indicated it will begin its new spring hydrogen bomb tests at the Marshall Islands in the Pacific shortly after April 20.

The Atomic Energy Commission issued a warning yesterday that about 421,250 square miles around the island will be a "danger area" effective April 20.

It said the area probably will be released from control "by the end of August."

The test explosions are slated to include experimental firing of "small" H-bombs and nuclear warheads for anti-aircraft and other missiles. The tests are expected to continue into June or possibly July.

The danger area, roughly rectangular, is slightly smaller than the 445,000-square mile hazard zone set up while the big H-bomb tests of the spring of 1954 were under way. However, it was considerably larger than the danger area set up at the start of those tests.

McKay Doesn't Want To Be In Ike's Cabinet Again

Washington—(U.P.)—Secretary of Interior Douglas McKay indicated today he does not wish to serve another four years even if President Eisenhower should be reelected and appoint him.

McKay, who has indicated before that he wanted to retire, was asked by a reporter if President Eisenhower's decision to run again meant that he would like to serve as secretary for another four years.

"Not necessarily," McKay re-

LAUGH is enjoyed by Russian Ambassador Georgi Zaroubin during 12-nation meeting on peaceful uses of atomic energy in Washington. (International)

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Federal Mediator Leverett Edwards has reported that negotiations between striking members of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks and Western Air Lines officials are continuing.

Pearson said Mr. Eisenhower had scribbled a note to Interior Secretary Douglas McKay across the letter asking him to do what he could about the matter. Pearson said he got his information from Redwine.

Weather

FORECAST: Mostly cloudy with occasional light rain tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 38. High Saturday 52.

Highest Yesterday	Temp.
Lowest this Morning	36
Pre. to 4:30 a.m. Today	Trace