

LOWER COLUMBIA RESIDENTS EVACUATING

Cancellation of Sarena Grants Urged in Report

Congressional Subcommittee Making Study

Republicans Asked For Minority Report

Washington — (U.P.) — A staff report urging cancellation of the controversial Al Sarena mining claim grants in Oregon is being studied by members of a congressional investigating committee, it was learned today.

Informed sources said a majority of the Democrats on the joint House and Senate subcommittee have indicated general approval of the report.

Involved are 15 mining claims held by Al Sarena Mines, Inc., in Rogue River National Forest. The company was granted "patents" or full title, to the claims two years ago in an opinion written by Interior Undersecretary Clarence A. Davis, then the department solicitor.

Democrats on the subcommittee have charged the company sought the patents only to harvest timber on the 475 acres involved. The report states 2,000,000 board feet have been cut since the patents were obtained, while "not one cupful" of ore has been mined by the company.

Republican members of the subcommittee have been asked to prepare a minority report, if there is to be one, by June 12. One minority member, Rep. Charles Raper Jonas (R-N.C.), said it is "quite sure" there will be a minority report.

"From what I've read," he said, "the report doesn't represent my views."

He said he doesn't know who prepared it. He said it "certainly wasn't the result of any considered judgment by the committee members."

Davis Criticized
The report bristles with criticisms of Davis. It said he granted the claim patents "in haste." He didn't "even wait for a written report" on special assays he ordered on mineral content of the claims, it said.

He also did not give notice of the award to the Forest Service, which had contested the claims, it added.

The report said Davis' actions constituted a "procedure without precedent" and were "contrary to the principles" of the federal administrative procedure act.

On these grounds, it said, the Justice Department should be asked to "take appropriate steps . . . cancel these patents."

Two Men Injured in Dynamiting Accident

Ralph Conard, 44, and Noah Huskey, both of Butte Falls, suffered head and other injuries in a dynamiting accident in Medford corporation timberland north of Butte Falls about 4 p.m. yesterday.

Company officials said Conard and Huskey are blasting stumps for a road right-of-way for logging operations when the accident occurred.

Conard suffered a possible skull fracture and Huskey a lower jaw fracture, officials said. They were taken by Medford ambulance to Community hospital, where their condition today was reported as fair.

Committee Approves \$2,636,818 Budget

The county budget committee has approved a \$2,636,818.47 budget for fiscal year 1956-57, which calls for no levy of general taxes.

It will be published in full twice on June 8 and 15, before a public hearing, which has been called for 10 a.m. Friday, June 29, in the circuit court room.

It is down from the 1955-56 budget, which totaled \$3,622,003. Last year's tax levy was \$695,094.

Funds on Hand
The fact that no general tax levy is being made this year was made possible by large funds on hand and expected in the form of receipts.

Only levy will be \$24,205, which includes the \$16,205 historical society continuing levy and the \$8,000 juvenile detention home operating and maintenance fund continuing levy both previously approved by the voters. The historical society levy figure is contingent upon valuations found by the county assessor on the 1956-57 tax roll. The levy is not to exceed one-half mill.

Total receipts and cash on hand is estimated at \$2,612,613.47 (compared with \$2,926,909 last year), which includes estimated O&C land receipts of \$1,102,429.32.

Appropriations for this year, as compared with last year, are as follows:
County court and commissioners, \$20,971.40 (down \$1,595); circuit court, \$19,490.40 (up \$1,240.40); district court, \$10,944 (up \$665.60); justice court, Ashland district, \$7,096 (up \$526); Jackson county planning commission, \$10,000 (up \$2,500); general road fund, \$1,282,949.32 (up \$161,412.68); Jackson county library, \$24,000 (up \$5,400); emergency fund, \$40,000 (no change); civil defense \$8,770 (up \$3,010); county surveyor \$9,455.40 (up \$2,860.40); water master, \$15,665.60 (up \$35); district attorney, \$17,811.80 (up \$400); fruit inspection \$1,380 (up \$150); county agents office, \$19,662 (no change); miscellaneous general county, \$125,767.78 (up \$2,416.20); veterans service officer \$7,270.40 (down \$207); board of equalization, \$2,000 (up \$1,750);

Constable, \$8,135 (up \$300); care of poor at county farm, \$221,120 (up \$21,767); miscellaneous relief, \$6,000 (up \$4,500); county compensation, \$360 (no change); Jackson county Red Cross \$1,500 (no change); indigent veterans, \$1,500 (down \$400); coroner, \$1,200 (no change); juvenile department, \$17,905 (up \$835); Jackson county health department, \$95,904 (up \$7,760); mosquito control, \$6,000 (no change); justice court, Gold Hill, \$2,715 (up \$200); sheriff's office \$89,603.04 (up \$6,726.58); county clerk, \$61,143.18 (up \$1,898); treasurer, \$9,307.40 (down \$54); assessor, \$60,848 (up \$12,061); courthouse expense, \$30,769.93 (down \$93.32); county jail, \$22,265.42 (up \$2,970); Jackson county farm home, \$70,397 (up \$825); courthouse construction, improvement and maintenance fund \$25,000 (down \$365,887.63); Jackson county historical fund, \$16,205 (up \$1,570); juvenile detention home operation and maintenance fund \$8,000.

Members of the county budget committee are M. T. Wray, chairman; Roger F. Rath, secretary; Rodney Keating, county judge; L. G. (Shy) Morthland, commissioner; Chester H. Wendt, commissioner; and Arnold Bohner, committeeman.

Shady Cove Couples Form Partnership

Shady Cove-Trail — Three Shady Cove couples have formed a partnership with the purpose of constructing and operating three stores and an associated warehouse, it was reported today.

The couples are Mr. and Mrs. Rene Espourteille, Mr. and Mrs. William Leekey and Mr. and Mrs. Ted Conway. Their announcement said they plan to open a builders supply store, a general hardware store and a furniture and appliance store.

Construction of the warehouse to serve the stores has already started on property located next to the Oaks court.

No estimate of the amount of investment involved was given by the partners' announcement.

Council Inspects New East Side Fire Hall

Mayor Earl Miller and city councilmen inspected the city's new east side fire station this afternoon preparatory to formal acceptance of the building from the contractor, Myron Corcoran Construction company.

An open house at the station is scheduled from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Sunday. All residents interested are invited to inspect the building at that time. Fire Chief Gordon Barker has announced.

The station, at 530 Highland dr., was placed in service on Tuesday.

Air Force Bomber Crashes in Denver Suburban Section

Four Hospitalized; Four Others Dead

Denver — (U.P.) — A crippled Air Force B25 bomber crashed and burned in a suburban residential section here today, killing four of the eight persons aboard.

The four survivors, one of them a member of the Women's Air Force, were hospitalized at nearby Lowry Air Force Base. Their conditions were not immediately known.

Engine Trouble

The twin-engine plane, en route from McChord Air Force Base, near Tacoma, to Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., had taken off at 5:59 a.m. (PST) from Lowry for Tyndall. Two minutes later the pilot radioed having engine trouble.

The crash followed almost immediately.

The plane smashed into earth, narrowly missing four houses in the heavily populated suburban area immediately southeast of Denver, in neighboring Arapahoe county.

Its right wing missed one home by 24 inches, knocking over a stack of cement sacks and grazing a pickup truck parked in the yard.

Despite the fact that all the homes were occupied and people were in some of the yards, none of the persons on the ground were scratched.

Tail Section Intact

One home was set on fire but the flames were quickly extinguished. The plane's tail section, the only recognizable intact piece left of the aircraft after it had plowed across a stretch of some 200 yards of open ground, came to rest within a dozen feet of another house.

Late News Briefs

MOLOTOV RESIGNS

London — (U.P.) — Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov resigned today, Radio Moscow reported.

Pravda Editor Dmitri Shapilov has replaced him in the Foreign Ministry, the announcement said.

GRACE KELLY EXPECTING

Berlin — (U.P.) — The West Berlin tabloid "B.Z." said today Princess Grace of Monaco is expecting a child in January.

PROSECUTION RESTS

St. Louis — (U.P.) — The government rested its case today in the trial of T. Lamar Caudie and Matthew J. Connelly on charges of conspiracy to fix an income tax evasion case.

NEGOTIATIONS ADJOURNED

Washington — (U.P.) — Wage negotiations affecting 30,000 Western Union employees outside New York City today were adjourned until Monday. A strike call apparently was still possible at any time.

North Entrance to Park Being Cleared

The north entrance to Crater Lake National park probably will open about June 22, according to Tom Williams, park superintendent.

Williams said state crews are working with bulldozers and snow plows but work is slowed due to unusually heavy snowpacks.

The road usually is open by June 15, he said.

Building Permits for May Show Increase

Building permits issued in May totaled \$359,503, compared with \$224,210 for May last year, Oliver R. McNeil, Medford building inspector, announced today.

Among permits for May were 10 new homes, \$107,500; 17 homes remodeled, \$22,989; five new garages, \$9,200; three new duplexes, \$33,000; five business establishments, \$370,068; and seven business establishments remodeled, \$16,185.

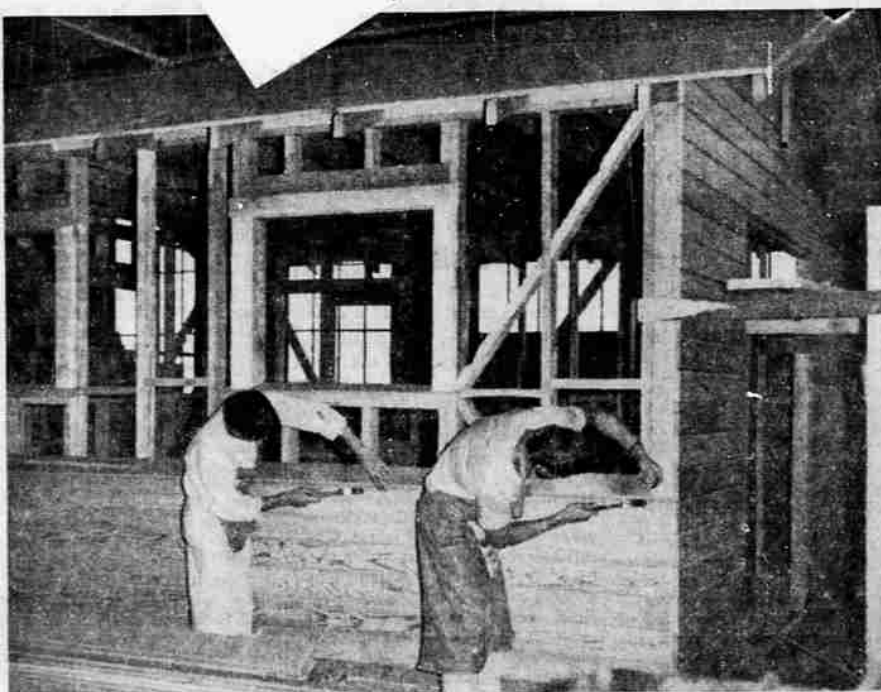
Officials Hope to Complete Canvass Soon

Jackson county election officials hope to complete the canvass of primary election returns by next Tuesday, it was announced today.

The canvassers said the large number of write-in votes for candidates has been primarily responsible for the delay in completing the project. The department began the canvass early last week.

It is not expected the announced results of any election races will be changed.

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OPEN HOUSE—Members of shop classes at Medford High school are shown constructing a 14x16-foot prefabricated workshop in the shop at the school. Metal, machine and wood shops at the school are holding open house between noon and 8 p.m. today. Included in displays is a solid oak pear-shaped table which was made for the school board office by members of the classes. Instructors of classes are Scott Brill, metal; Don Hanning, machine; and L. A. Mentzer, wood. —(Landis-Shangle photo)

Two-Foot Rise at Vancouver Seen By Next Tuesday

Morrison Bridge Ordered Closed

Portland — (U.P.) — Alarmed residents along the lower Columbia river bolstered their dikes today and residents of the Rainier, Ore., diking district began evacuating as the stream continued to rise above earlier predictions.

From 75 to 100 families live in the district located near Rainier on the banks of the Columbia. Officials said the dikes had not been breached but that evacuation was being made as a precautionary measure.

Two-Foot Rise Forecast

A two-foot rise to nearly 27 feet was forecast for the Columbia by next Tuesday at Vancouver, Wash. The situation upstream was not bright, either, as the Snake and other rivers were coming up. Earlier, forecasters had hoped that the Portland area might get by with a 25-foot crest.

In Portland, the Morrison street bridge was ordered closed to traffic after 7 p.m. today until the river drops below 25 feet. The bridge handles much of Portland's cross-town traffic. When the Willamette river reaches 25 feet the draw-opening machinery will not function properly.

Emergency Declared

A state of emergency was declared last night at Kalama, Wash., downstream from Vancouver on the Columbia. The city council called out volunteers today to add some 25,000 sandbags to 2000 feet of dike. There was no floodwater in the town but the emergency state was declared as a precautionary measure.

Thousands of acres of farmland already were under water. Some farm homes were evacuated earlier as the Columbia crept slowly upwards.

Elmer Fisher, the weather bureau's river forecaster, said the 26.7 stage predicted for Tuesday might have to be revised upward. The Columbia at Vancouver this morning was 24.9 feet, 9.9 above flood stage. It reached above 30 feet in 1948's record flood.

More Woes Added

Hot weather in the Columbia basin and possibility of thunderstorms added more woes to the flood picture. Streams in Idaho still were flooding and some were predicted to rise, including the Snake which is a key factor in future Columbia river crests. A rise of nearly two feet between today and Sunday was predicted in the Snake at Weiser, Ida.

The official forecast here called for a continued slow rise in most tributary streams east of the Cascades for the next one to two days and in the middle and lower Columbia for at least the next three to four days.

An aerial check yesterday showed much of the farm and dairy land between Vancouver and Ridgefield, Wash., was under water. Some 650 head of cattle have been moved out of the area.

Salem — (U.P.) — J. R. (Bob) Williams, assistant state budget administrator, has been named comptroller of the new department of motor vehicles.

Petition To Halt 'Slow Freight' Order Dismissed

Portland — (U.P.) — A three-judge Federal court yesterday dismissed a petition of 63 small lumber companies and brokers of Oregon, Washington and California to set aside an Interstate Commerce commission order banning "slow freight" merchandising methods.

At the same time, the court vacated a temporary restraining order issued April 17 by U.S. District Judge William G. East here.

The tribunal, made up of U.S. Circuit Judge Albert Lee Stephens, Judge East and U.S. District Judge Gus J. Solomon, held a hearing here May 11 when parties in the litigation were heard. Then written briefs were submitted to the court.

Said ICC to Gain Time

The ICC based its service order 910 on its opinion that an acute freight car shortage exists in all sections of the country and that movement of loaded freight cars is being delayed solely to gain time.

Plaintiffs seeking the injunction admitted they had been shipping lumber destined for points east and routing it by slow freight while negotiating for sale of the product along the line. They said they had been using this method for more than 20 years.

Small Mills Hurt

They further contended that order 910 would have the effect of destroying many small manufacturers and divert their business to large manufacturers who do not sell lumber on a "diversion" basis.

The court, while accepting the contention of plaintiffs that enforcement of service order 910 would not alleviate the "car shortage," said it had no province "in the matter, as a legislative emergency declared by Congress or one of its administrative agencies is not subject to judicial review upon its merits."

Salem — (U.P.) — Gov. Elmo Smith will receive an honorary doctor of laws degree from his alma mater, the College of Idaho, at Caldwell, Ida., Saturday.

Washington — (U.P.) — President Eisenhower left by automobile today for a week end at his Gettysburg, Pa., farm.

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy with showers in mountains Saturday morning with occasional light rain during day. Clearing Saturday night. Low tonight 50. High Saturday 71-75. Sunday outlook—Chance of a few widely scattered showers.

Highest Yesterday	74
Lowest This Morning	53
Prec. to 4:30 a.m. Today	.63

Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise	4:31 a.m.
Sunset	7:42 p.m.
The Moon	at Last Quarter — 11:13 a.m. rises Saturday 7:27 a.m.
VENUS	tonight begins to move westward among the stars of Gemini.
In a few weeks it will leave the evening sky and it will return as a morning star early in July.	

Several Fires Start In Area; Damage Said Minor in Most Cases

Two state forest patrolmen were dispatched this morning to all a large burning snag near Chimney rock between Antelope and Lake creeks.

The fire is one of four in the county started by lightning which have been spotted since Tuesday. Others were in the Green Springs, at the head of Elk creek and on the east fork of Evans creek. One other fire was discovered in Josephine county.

Patrolmen said that there are possibly other lightning fires which may smoulder a few days before they are discovered. The state department of forestry has five lookouts in the district at present.

Applegate Fires

Four lightning fires were reported in the Applegate district May 29 and 30, according to J. H. Wood, supervisor of Rogue River National forest.

The fires were confined to small areas, he said, and only minor damage was reported. City firemen said that four lightning strikes were reported to them during yesterday's storm. They stated that no fires resulted. Two trucks were dispatched about 7:25 p.m. when a lightning strike was reported on a house on Beekman st. The pumps returned to the station when no fire was found.

Siskiyou Fires

The forest service reported about 23 blazes in the Siskiyou county area of Klamath National forest. Most damage has been reported in Happy Camp and Forks of the Salmon areas, where 62 men are on emergency duty.

Fire fighting personnel are being hindered by the flood damage to fire trails in the county, forest service officials reported.

Deadline for Filing Expenses Is Saturday

Candidates in the primary election were reminded today that Saturday is the deadline for filing campaign expenses in the county clerk's office.

Only 10 candidates had filed their expenses by Friday morning. Statements of expenses will be received until the courthouse closes at noon Saturday.

8th Army Ready To 'Pull Lanyard' If Reds Start Anything in Korea

Seoul, Korea — (U.P.) — Gen. Isaac D. White, commander of the U.S. 8th Army, said today his troops "can pull the lanyard in 15 seconds" if the Communists start anything over expulsion of the truce inspection teams from South Korea.

White told the United Press the 8th Army was ready to take care of "any situation."

The U.N. command announced Thursday it was provisionally suspending work of the four-nation truce inspection teams in South Korea because of interference by the Communist Polish and Czech members and because of Communist violations of the truce.

The Polish, Czech, Swedish and Swiss members of the teams were given one week to leave South Korea.

Both the Peiping and Pyongyang radios were silent on the expulsion but Moscow Radio announced the action as a "gross violation of the armistice conditions in Korea." It said the "real reason" was the American buildup of the South Korean army.

The U.N. command, in announcing the action, accused the Communists of building up a 400

to 500 plane air force in North Korea in violation of the armistice terms.

Both sides were ordered to freeze the amount of men and war materiel in Korea at the end of the fighting.

U.S. Deputy Defense Secretary Reuben B. Robertson said in Washington the Communist arms buildup in North Korea

posed a serious problem which must be solved within the next year.

Although the North Korean radio made no immediate comment on the expulsion order, the Communist government at Pyongyang declared it will not attack South Korea and that it will cut the size of its armed forces this summer.

120 School Patrol Members Expected at Annual Dinner

About 120 school patrol members are expected to attend the annual dinner for the patrol between 6:15 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. today at Hedrick Junior High school cafeteria.

Elementary schools which have patrols include St. Mary's of Medford, Oak Grove, Jackson, Jefferson, Lincoln, Roosevelt and Washington. Each member of the patrol will be given a pencil from the National Safety council as awards of merit for service.

Miss Venita Howard of the traffic safety division of the sec-

retary of state's office, will give the main address. The Rev. Robert Tomisser of Sacred Heart church will offer invocation and benediction, and a string ensemble from Medford High school will furnish music.

Several service groups are sponsoring the banquet in cooperation with the Medford Safety council, of which R. L. (Bud) Palmer is chairman. Service clubs are Elks lodge, Active club, Rotary, Kiwanis, Crater Lions and the Medford Lions clubs.

"It Won't Seem the Same Without You, Boy"

