

Communist Troops Meet East German Strikes



TAX STATEMENTS—The last of an estimated 33,578 Jackson county tax statements for the 1956-57 fiscal year were expected to be in the mail yesterday. Shown preparing the statements for mailing are, left to right, Mrs. Delpha Offenbacher, county court secretary, Mrs. Joan Bailey, Mrs. Ilene Bogener and Miss Della Mast, tax department employees. The four have been working on the project since Monday. To be eligible for the 3 per cent discount, residents must pay their taxes on or before Nov. 15.

Chamber of Commerce Board Recommends Bear Creek Line

The board of directors of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce this morning voted to recommend to the highway commission the Bear Creek route for a new Highway 99 freeway in this area. Only one member dissented.

The vote came on adoption of the chamber's highway committee report and recommendation favoring the Bear Creek route over the other three suggested routes—those on the West Side, the East Side in the Hillcrest area and along the Genessee st. Cottage st. line in east Medford.

The highway committee's report, as adopted, said that less residential property would be disturbed by the Bear Creek route than by the others, that fewer acres of producing orchards would be eliminated, and that the other types of agricultural land disturbed by a Bear Creek location are of lesser value than those which would be harmed by the other locations.

Flooding Menace
The report discounted the menace of flooding of the Bear Creek route, saying straightening and channeling of the creek, as part of the highway construction, would alleviate this danger. The route would do less damage by diagonal separation of existing properties, the report said.

The report also declared the Bear Creek route (in which the four-lane freeway would be built at about high-water level along the east side of the creek and the west side of Hawthorne park) would create less of a "barrier" to east-west traffic than would the Genessee route.

Either the Hillcrest or West Side routes would make necessary added costs to the city in constructing streets and roads giving access to the freeway, the report said, and it added that the Hillcrest route would prove damaging to the new Rogue Valley hospital now under construction on Barnett rd. It also pointed out the West Side route would be an estimated \$4 million more expensive than any of the other three. The committee report also recommended to the commission, if the Bear Creek route is finally selected, that homes and businesses along Hawthorne street bordering the present park be purchased and converted to park use to compensate for the park area used by the freeway.

Report Presented
The report was presented to the board by Paul Rynning, chairman of the highway committee and county engineer.

Construction of Phoenix City Sewer System Starts

Phoenix — Construction started this week on the Phoenix sewer system, according to mayor Dan Adams.

The work is being done at the Coleman creek crossing, at the north end of town, where Phoenix will connect with the South Bear creek system, and where a master meter will be installed.

The south Bear creek system is complete except for the siphon at Barnett rd.

When the work is finished at Coleman creek crossing the trenching will begin for the 24-834 feet of six to 12 inch pipe to be installed throughout the city. There will be approximately 300 connections made as the line is put in and plans call for 70 manholes in the system. The cement pipe being used

Support was voiced for the recommendation by the Retail Merchants association, and by the irrigation districts of the area.

Sole dissent to the Bear Creek recommendation was made by Eric Allen Jr., who stated that any of the four routes will cause hardship to some people, but that the Bear Creek route, four lanes wide, would inevitably create a division in the city, providing a hindrance to proper urban development in the future, both inside and outside the present city limits.

Allen said it would prevent Bear Creek from eventually being developed as a park strip through the city. He also declared he believed that tourists on the Hillcrest route would

find it, and therefore the city, more attractive, and would be more apt to stop in Medford if that route is used, than if the freeway were to cut right through town, presenting a view only of business property or the sub-standard type of development which historically grows up adjacent to major highway routes.

After adopting the committee report, the board voted to have representation at the highway commission hearing on the matter next Thursday. It was scheduled for 10 a.m. at the county courthouse auditorium, but Mayor Earl Miller made arrangements today to have the hearing at the Craterian theater to better accommodate the large crowd expected to attend.

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SENATOR CHAVES
Public Works Committee



SENATOR MURRAY
Interior Committee

One-Day Hearing on Flood Control Friday

A one-day senate interior and public works committee hearing will be held in the federal courtroom in the Medford postoffice building at 10 a.m. tomorrow.

The hearing, which is on flood control of Rogue River, will be conducted by Sen. James Murray (D-Mont.), chairman of the interior committee, and Sen. Dennis Chaves (D-N.M.), chairman of the public works committee.

Today the joint committee is conducting a hearing in Klamath Falls relating to the end of federal control over the Klamath Indians. The hearing here

was requested jointly by Senators Wayne Morse and Richard Neuberger. Senator Neuberger is a member of both committees.

Officers to Testify
Three interior department officers have been designated to testify at the hearing here. They are Arthur M. Piper, U. S. Geological Survey staff scientist and chairman of the Rogue river task force survey group; O. M. Browne, bureau of reclamation, Boise, Idaho, regional project development engineer; and Doren E. Woodward, fish and wildlife service, supervisors of river basin studies for the regional office in Portland. Several other witnesses are scheduled to give testimony.

The bureau of reclamation, in 1950, outlined a comprehensive plan for irrigation, power and flood control development of Rogue river. When sports groups and other recreationists protested, the plan was shelved, and only last year a non-controversial portion of it, the Talent project, was started.

Bulletin

Vice President Richard Nixon will spend the night of Friday, Oct. 26, in Medford. It was learned this afternoon. Plans are being made for a Republican rally and a speech by the vice president, and tentative arrangements have been made to use the auditorium at Hedrick Junior High school.

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Korean War Medal Of Honor Winner Broken to Private

Sergeant Sentenced on Charges of Disrespect

Parris Island, S.C. —(UPI)—A Korean War Congressional Medal of Honor winner was broken to private, fined and sentenced to three months of hard labor Wednesday for drunkenness, disrespect to an officer and being AWOL.

T-Sgt. Alfred Lee McLaughlin, 28, of Leeds, Ala., holder of the nation's highest award for bravery under fire, personally presented by President Eisenhower, was tried by a four-member court-martial board.

McLaughlin, credited with killing 150 enemy soldiers and wounding 50 at Bunker Hill in Korea, pleaded guilty to two charges and was found guilty of two others. His fine was placed at \$120.

His bravery in firing two machine guns at his post despite severe wounds and blistered hands in defending the lonely outpost in Korea on the night of Sept. 4-5, 1952, won him the nation's top military honor a year later.

President Eisenhower made the presentation at the White House on Oct. 27, 1953.

The charges grew out of an incident last March while McLaughlin was stationed with a Marine Corps reserve unit at Rome, Ga. He was a member of the inspector-instructor, 4th Rifle Company.

The Marine pleaded guilty of the charge of drunkenness and absence from his organization without proper authority, and he was found guilty of disrespect to his commanding officer and a superior non-commissioned officer.

Neuberger to Speak At Esquire Tonight

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger will speak in behalf of Sen. Wayne Morse at 8 p.m. today at Democratic headquarters in the Esquire theater here.

Senator Neuberger, who visited in Ashland yesterday, is attending a senate interior committee hearing today in Klamath Falls concerning problems relating to the end of federal control over the Klamath Indians.

He plans to return to Medford late this afternoon. Tonight's speech is open to the public. Neuberger will be guests at a reception following his talk.

Tomorrow, Senator Neuberger will attend a joint interior and public works committee hearing here concerning Rogue River basin flood control.

He will give the principle address at a no-host dinner at 6 p.m. tomorrow at the Medford hotel. Following the dinner, Senator Neuberger will go to the northern part of the state.

Porter Schedules Coffee Hours in Area

Charles O. Porter, Democratic candidate for congressman from the fourth district, will be in Jackson county Friday, Oct. 19, and Saturday, Oct. 20.

Several coffee hours have been planned for Porter. Friday coffee hours include one at 10 a.m. at the home of Mrs. M. E. Norton in Phoenix; at 12:30 p.m. Mrs. Richard Kane, Talent; 1:30 p.m. Mrs. Al Miller, 160 Scenic dr., Ashland.

Between 3 and 5 p.m. Friday, Porter will be at the home of Mrs. Edward Kelly. Mrs. Maurine Neuberger also will be a guest of Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Kelly while Senator Richard L. Neuberger is attending a senate interior committee hearing in Medford.

Coffee hours Saturday, Oct. 20, will be held at the home of Mrs. Ray Claffin, Phoenix, at 10 a.m.; and at the home of Mrs. Mark Balfour, Medford, at 1 p.m.

The coffee hours for Porter will be open to the public.

Jerusalem, Israeli Sector —(UPI)—Officials in Amman said the first two of a group of British Hawker Hunter jet fighters arrived in Jordan today to strengthen British military forces in that desert kingdom.

Eisenhower Sets Campaign Speech Tonight in Portland

Diplomatic Circles Predict Reshuffle In British Ministry

Observers Say Failure to Strike After Suez Cause

London —(UPI)—Britain's inability to strike at once when the Suez crisis first broke will lead to a drastic shakeup in the Defense Ministry, political observers said today.

Diplomatic circles said Britain fully intended to use force during the opening days of the Suez crisis last summer but found it had no troops to do the job.

Although officials deny this, increasing and apparently authoritative reports of an impending reshuffle in the Defense Ministry lent strength to the reports. Added credence to the reports came Wednesday in a speech by the new chief of the British navy, who said emphasis on atomic warfare had left Britain weak in conventional weapons.

Press reports said youthful War Minister Antony Head may soon replace 65-year-old Sir Walter Monckton, who has been defense minister for only 10 months.

Monckton to Step Down
The London Daily Mail added today that Monckton will step down on the ground of illness and take over as paymaster general, vacant advisory post without portfolio in the cabinet.

Diplomatic quarters sincerely believe that Prime Minister Anthony Eden's cabinet was on the brink of ordering armed intervention within hours after Egypt nationalized the Suez Canal. According to this theory, the idea was abandoned because of an insufficient number of troops, ships and planes within striking distance.

Britain fell back, instead, on a diplomatic offensive and started a belated military buildup.

Deer Hunter Reported Missing in County

James Kennedy, about 70, has been reported three-days overdue from a deer hunting trip in the vicinity of his home near Copper about four miles south of the McKee bridge.

The sheriff's office reported about noon today they had received a call from a neighbor of the missing hunter, stating Kennedy left home at 2 p.m. Tuesday and has not yet returned.

State police, sheriff's deputies and forest rangers from the Star ranger station began a search early this afternoon in the vicinity of Kennedy's home.

This is the first time this season that a hunter has been reported missing in Jackson county.

County Republicans Visit in Portland

Seven Jackson county Republicans are in Portland today to meet President and Mrs. Eisenhower during his campaign visit here. The delegation is headed by Mrs. Frank Bash, Medford central committee chairman, and Ben Lombard, vice chairman of the committee.

Others are Mrs. William E. Frake, Mrs. Ernest Ruegger and Donald B. Whalin, Medford; Mrs. Lester Adams, Applegate, and E. E. Bolt, Gold Hill. The group attended a workers' rally this afternoon and had an opportunity to meet the Eisenhowers. They also will attend tonight's meeting at the Civic auditorium.

MEETING SLATED

An open meeting of the Farmers Home administration's farm loans will be held in room 202 in the Medford post office building at 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 19. E. M. Denney, county FHA supervisor has announced. The meeting will be to acquaint farm lenders, agricultural leaders and others interested with the FHA program.



PRESIDENT EISENHOWER
Plugging in Oregon

Seven Appearances Made This Morning In Circuit Court

Seven people appeared in circuit court this morning to enter pleas to charges and receive sentences.

Donald LaVerne Ambuehl, 31, of 1615 Crater Lake highway, Medford, pleaded innocent to a charge of unlawful possession of narcotics. He is represented by Edward Kelly.

Mrs. Bernice Phillips, 32, of 532 Pennsylvania ave., Medford, entered a plea of innocent to an indictment charging possession of stolen property. She is represented by A. Eugene Piazza.

Lawrence Robert Stanton, 35, Portland, was sentenced to one year in the Multnomah county jail, Rocky Butte, after pleading guilty to a charge of receiving and concealing stolen property. He was represented by Robert Boyer.

Suspended Sentence
C. M. Northrup, 28, Vancouver, Wash., received a suspended one-year penitentiary sentence after pleading guilty to a charge of larceny by bailer. The charge involved sale of a mortgaged range and refrigerator owned by Leonard Electric company.

Cases were continued pending receipt of FBI records on William Raymond Pickett, 28, of 233 South Riverside ave., Medford, and Ralph Amos Rodkey, 33, Kokomo, Ind. Pickett pleaded guilty to obtaining money under false pretenses, and Rodkey pleaded guilty to a charge of making a false check to Ryan's Cleaners in Medford. Rodkey also is wanted on a fugitive warrant from Indiana, concerning another check charge.

Prentice Kenneth Cox, 30, Wichita Falls, Tex., appeared for resentencing on a charge of lewd cohabitation. He was originally sentenced to one year in the Multnomah county jail. The sentence was changed this morning to six months in the Multnomah county jail after it was found the crime carried a sentence of only six months.

Ad Valorem Tax May Be Under '55 Figure

Ad valorem tax on real estate in Jackson county for the 1956-57 fiscal year is expected to be \$272,636.98 under the 1955-56 figure, and total of taxes and liens is expected to be \$259,775.31 less than last year's figure.

According to Mrs. Eva Jennings, county assessor, last year's ad valorem tax on real estate totaled \$5,110,880.47 as compared with \$4,838,243.49 for 1955-57. Last year's total of taxes and liens was \$5,413,239.45 as compared with \$5,153,464.14 for 1955-57.

Tax funds for the 1956-57 year will be distributed through county agencies as follows: Cities, \$665,867.72; water districts, \$34,093.95; sanitary districts, \$4,007.76; rural fire districts, \$84,041.83; county fund, \$31,867.93; and schools, \$2,613,419.41.

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Berlin Newspapers Report Unrest In City of Magdeburg

Red Spokesman Denies Disturbance in Factory

Berlin —(UPI)—East German Communists have rushed troops to the city of Magdeburg to meet labor unrest and strikes, reports reaching West Berlin said today.

The reports were given by the West Berlin newspaper Der Tag and by the West Berlin organization known as the Free Jurists Investigating Committee.

But the reports of strikes were vague and contradictory, and they were doubted by the majority of West Berlin organizations with underground links to the Soviet Zone.

Workers Object to Work
Der Tag said 2,000 members of the Communist Police Army were rushed from East Berlin to Magdeburg Wednesday after workers objected to new work quotas that called for higher production at less pay.

The newspaper said production at Magdeburg's Karl Marx heavy machinery factory had come almost to a standstill. Police and soldiers were patrolling the plant.

Both Der Tag and the Free Jurists said the protests were caused by the industrial speed-up. It was just such a speedup that led to the Poznan riots in Poland last June 28 and the revolt in East Germany on June 17, 1953.

Plant Cut Off
The Free Jurists, considered a reliable group with excellent intelligence sources, said "strong units" of Red people's police were at not only the Karl Marx factory but also the Thaelmann plant in Magdeburg. It said the Thaelmann factory was cut off completely from the outside world.

The United Press reached a spokesman for the Works Council for the Karl Marx factory by telephone in Magdeburg.

"We have seen the report in Der Tag and it is completely incorrect," he said. "There is absolutely no unrest in our factory, and the report that troops are being rushed to quell disturbances in Magdeburg is certainly untrue."

Weather

FORECAST: Clearing tonight. Becoming foggy early Friday, clearing by mid-morning. Increasing clouds Friday afternoon. Rain late Friday or early Saturday. Low tonight 35-40. High Friday 62. Highest Yesterday 68. Lowest this Morning 51.

Our Skies Tonight

Pre. to 10 a.m. Today's 32. Sunrise 6:25 a.m. Sunset 5:25 p.m. The nearly Full Moon rises 4:43 p.m. and makes things noticeably brighter tonight. Yet the Earth on a clear day receives as much heat and light from the Sun in about 12 seconds as it does from the Moon in an entire year.

Americans, German Share Nobel Prize

Stockholm, Sweden —(UPI)—A German doctor who discovered a new method of diagnosing heart and pulmonary ailments and two American physicians who brought the method to a high state of perfection were jointly awarded the 1956 Nobel Prize for Medicine today.

Prof. Dickinson W. Richardson, 60-year-old professor of medicine at Columbia University, French-born Dr. Andre Cournaud, 61, his associate for 25 years at Columbia, and Germany's 52-year-old Dr. Werner Forssman, shared the \$36,633 prize.

Their method involves catheterization of the heart — the slipping into the heart of a tube which permits study of the internal conditions and enhances the value of diagnosis. The medical profession has called it a milestone of medical progress.

