

### Morse Opposes GOP School Bill; Offers His Own

Washington, D. C. — (Special) Sen. Wayne Morse this week introduced a bill in the 85th Congress to provide federal fi-

proposed legislation states the federal money should go to the states "without any strings attached, so they may distribute it to school districts to be used as needed for salaries, maintenance, books or new facilities. This eliminates any possibility of federal control."

#### GOP Bill 'Too Little'

Morse described as "too little and too late" the program for federal aid proposed recently by the Eisenhower administration, and pointed out that in its first two years, the administration ignored the school crisis from the standpoint of federal help.

"When the White House finally did call for federal aid for school construction," Morse said, "most of the money was earmarked for purchase of school bond issues. This program would not help the average district, which has its biggest problem in raising money for repayment of bond issues, not in finding a market for them."

"Furthermore," he added, "a disproportionate share of the money needed to educate American boys and girls would have gone to banking institutions in the form of interest."

Of the new administration plan to provide funds for school construction, Morse described as "unnecessary and undesirable" the requirement that states match the federal money with their own funds, also earmarked exclusively for construction purposes. He pledged to push for elimination of the rule.

#### Speed Said Needed

"This requirement means," Morse said, "that a state already raising as much as it can will not get federal help. And if any new money is raised it will all go for construction, to the neglect of teachers' salaries, books, equipment and other equally urgent needs."

The Senator emphasized the need for speed in dealing with the school crisis. He pointed out that in the postwar years, many American youngsters have been attending "overcrowded, understaffed schools, sometimes on a part-time basis."

"We will never know what they have lost in earning power because of this handicap, or



**MINE BLAST SCENE**—Map spots Bishop, Va., where an explosion rocked one of the largest soft coal mines in the United States, killing between 35 to 40 miners.

### Iraq Prince Talks With Eisenhower

Washington — (U.P.) — A second member of Arab royalty, Crown Prince Abdul Illah of Iraq, Tuesday began a round of discussions with President Eisenhower and other U.S. officials on the Eisenhower doctrine for protecting the Middle East from Communism.

Illah, a power behind the throne in his country, was scheduled to confer with Mr. Eisenhower this morning, with Deputy Defense Secretary Reuben B. Robertson at lunch and with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles in the afternoon.

In addition to discussing the overall Middle East situation, the prince will ask for increased U.S. military and perhaps more economic aid for his nation. Among other things, Iraq is reported to want American jet planes.

what losses their communities have suffered because their capacities were not fully developed," Morse concluded. "Passage of an adequate school aid bill must be the foremost domestic goal of this Congress."

## Water Main Project Approved by Council

The Medford city council last night passed a resolution for construction of a water main on Marie st. from Saling ave. to Jackson st.

The main will extend on Jackson st. from Marie st. to Madison place, and on Madison place from Jackson st. to the alley between Jackson st. and Queen Anne ave.

The council called a public hearing March 5 on construction of a trunk water main on South Grape st. from Monroe st. to a point 826 north of there.

#### Paving Projects

Ordinances also were adopted assessing property owners on Ashland ave. from Ninth to 11th sts. and on Broad st. from Clark to East Jackson st. for paving projects.

Property owners on Ashland ave. from 9th to 11th sts. will be assessed \$7.33 per front foot. Engineer's estimate was \$7.46. Cost of the project was \$11,490.29, and the engineer's estimate was \$11,379.50.

Assessment for property owners on Broad st. from Clark to East Jackson sts. will be \$6.91 per front foot. Engineer's estimate was \$7. Total cost of the project was \$14,263.79 and the engineer's estimate was \$12,460.

An ordinance was passed providing that planes of the Medford air service for crop dusting operations, when loaded and operated from an airport more than 40 air line miles from the Medford airport, be excluded the two per cent gross receipt payment under the air service lease. **Radius Changed**

The radius was changed from 50 miles to 40 miles excluding crop dusting operations from the Cave Junction and the Klamath Falls airports.

The council granted a new 10-year lease to Rogue Flying Service, Inc., effective Jan. 1, 1957, to Dec. 31, 1966. Annual ground rental by the flying service will be \$666.86, or one cent per square foot per year.

The lease directs the flying service to administer "tie down fees" instead of the city. Tie down fees will be one dollar per

day or \$10 per month. The flying service will pay the city 50 per cent of the gross amount received.

Mercy Flight planes will not be obligated to pay fees, since the planes are seldom on flying service property.

#### Connection Fee

The council authorized the water commission to collect a connection fee in lieu of an assessment on water mains installed and owned by the city.

City manager Robert Duff was directed to prepare a report on a request by Central Point to permit residents in the Table Rock Four Corners area to connect with the Medford service sewer.

A request from Consolidated Freightways, 703 North Central ave., Medford, for a 20-foot extension to its 18 foot driveway on Jackson st. opposite Front st. was approved.

The council approved a recommendation of the city traffic department prohibiting parking along the north side of East Main st. for 130 feet west of the west line of Geneva st. providing for a left turn lane at Cottage st. Duff said the change will relieve congestion and speed up Main st. traffic.

A public hearing was called March 5 to consider constructing a sanitary sewer for four residents at the end of Franquette ave. They previously petitioned the council for the service.

City officials noted that portion of Franquette ave. is near the proposed route of the Highway 99 Hawthorne park freeway as recently outlined by the state highway department.

Councilman Stanley Jones said even if the council approves the sewer construction there, it would not necessarily mean the council also will approve the proposed Bear Creek-Hawthorne park freeway. The council has not yet taken a position with regard to the location of the freeway.

The council also adopted a revised "closing out sale" ordinance. City Attorney E. R. Basha said the municipal court judge declared the old ordinance unconstitutional in its delegation of legislative power during a recent court case.

The city attorney said the revised ordinance meets the objection of unconstitutionality and also is "administratively practical" where the previous one was not.

At the request of Councilman Don Hansen an amendment was added stating a "closing out sale" could not be continued at another location if the "sale" permit had expired at one location.

The council awarded a contract to M. C. Lininger and Sons, Medford, for the construction of 1,730-feet of eight-inch sewer line for the new \$400,000 Medford armory, now nearing completion.

The bid was \$4,787.75. There were four other higher bidders. The bid will not be effective until the city receives approval from the state military department and until a check is received from the department for the amount of the bid price.

Duff said an Oregon National Guard official has indicated to him a check will be mailed to Medford soon. The military department authorized the city to contract for the work.

The line will extend from the Medford armory site to a connection with the South Bear creek sanitary district's trunk sewer lines.

A petition from several property owners along Barnett rd. requesting rezoning of the area to class III (limited commercial) was referred to the planning commission.

### Seizure of Cars Of Drunks Proposed

Salem — (U.P.) — A measure to authorize a judge to impound the motor vehicle owned by anyone convicted of driving while drunk or under the influence of narcotics was introduced in the Senate yesterday by Sen. Jean Lewis of Portland.

The measure would authorize a judge to impound such a vehicle for not more than 90 days for the first conviction or more than one year for the second or subsequent convictions.

Sen. Lewis said that the suspension of driver's license has not always proved effective in curbing drunken driving. She said several offenders have been found to be driving at a time when their licenses were suspended.

Another Senate measure introduced yesterday, by Sen. Andrew J. Naterlin of Newport, would increase the size of the State Highway Commission from three members to five.

Under terms of the measure, not more than two of the members would be from any one congressional district in Oregon. Under present law, there are three members, not more than one of who shall be from any one congressional district.

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