



**FILING SYSTEM**—Shown checking the filing system in the county elections department are the student deputy accountant clerk, Zita Maddox, Jacksonville High school, and the student deputy accountant clerk, Sarah Richards, Crater High school. Watching (at left) is Helen Duggan, deputy accountant clerk, and (at right) is Mrs. A. Peterson, deputy elections clerk.—(Landis-Shangle Photo)



**INSPECTING JAIL**—Lieutenant Clyde Fichtner, (at right) discusses the police department's operation for students. Left to right are Medford Police Sergeant Rollie Pean, Leonard Winslow, Eagle Point High school, who was the city observer in the police department; Student Sergeant Bryan Schroeder, Medford; Student Lieutenant David Espey, St. Mary's; and Student Police Chief Eldon Francis, Medford.—(Landis-Shangle Photo)



**CHECKING RECORDS**—County Assessor Ray Schumacher is shown explaining tax assessment records and property value estimates to the Student County Assessor (at left) Don Vannice, Prospect High school. Student City Councilman from Ward IV Jack Birmingham, St. Mary's High school, listens.—(Landis-Shangle Photo)



**BUILDING SPECIFICATIONS**—City Engineer Edward McKinstry (at left) points out the importance that plans and specifications for proposed structures conform to city standards. Checking blueprints are Student City Building Inspector John Hansen and Student City Engineer Ken Arnold. H. E. Mackie, city building inspector (in background) also advised students.—(Landis-Shangle Photo)

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## City Asks Conditions With Freeway

### Council Passes Resolution, 6-2, For Cooperation

A resolution conditionally cooperating with the state highway commission in its decision to construct the proposed Highway 99 freeway along the Bear Creek-Hawthorne park route was passed by a 6-2 vote last night by the Medford city council. The resolution stipulated the highway commission agree to provide access roads, deceleration lanes, parking facilities, the replacement and preservation of public recreational facilities and landscaping along the route before the council gives the freeway final approval. Resolution Not Binding City Manager Robert Duff was instructed to negotiate with the commission to secure agreement that the conditions are included in its plans for the freeway. City Attorney E. R. Bashaw pointed out the resolution was not binding and could be reversed at a future meeting.

In opposing the resolution, Councilman Stanley Jones said it was his opinion the proposed freeway through Medford would hinder possible beautification of Bear creek and would be as much a barrier to future development of Medford as has the Southern Pacific railroad tracks. He added that unless the highway commission accepts a major portion of the conditions the council should reverse its present decision. Councilman Robert Van Sickle argued that the resolution was premature at this time because "most people in Medford had not been heard" as either opposing or favoring the freeway through Medford.

**Defends Resolution** Councilman Don Hansen defended the resolution saying there had been "no showing that the majority of Medford residents were against the proposed freeway." He added the freeway could be a possible detriment wherever it was placed because at some future date it still could be annexed into the city. Councilman Al Bradford pointed out that it was not likely the highway commission would alter its decision unless at least 90 to 95 per cent of Medford residents opposed the proposed freeway. He added the Bear Creek-Hawthorne park route also was the most desirable route from a standpoint of engineering and expense to the city.

### Lincoln Day Dinner Scheduled Tonight

Dr. William C. Jones, dean of administration at the University of Oregon, will be principal speaker at the annual Lincoln Day dinner at 7 p.m. today at the Jackson hotel. Sponsor of the dinner is the Jackson County Republican party. E. H. Singmaster, Ashland, is chairman of the event. Dr. Jones has been dean of administration at the university since 1954. He held the same position from 1931-53. He was a professor of political science and head of the department at the university from 1941-44.

## Gov. Holmes Tells Program For Development in State

### Survey Designed To Produce Immediate Economic Benefit

Salem—(U.P.)—Gov. Robert D. Holmes told the Oregon Legislature today that he had ordered a preliminary survey designed to "produce an almost immediate economic benefit to Oregon." The statement came in a special economic development message to the Legislature, with senators and representatives sitting in joint session in the House chamber. He gave some of the details of his plans for a development department for Oregon to succeed the Oregon Development Commission.

The governor disclosed that as an interim measure "prior to the time when the legislative assembly can act on House bill 445," he had retained the services of industrial consultants Ivan Bloch and associates to make the preliminary survey. Gov. Holmes said he had asked Bloch to consult with the Oregon Development Commission and to adapt as much as possible the results of their work and the earlier Stanford Research report to make the transition fast and more productive. House bill 445 has been introduced to set up the development department program as outlined by Gov. Holmes in his inaugural address.

In his special message, Gov. Holmes placed key emphasis on planning, the importance of low-cost power production and the survey of potential industrial sites. Urgently needed for the industrial expansion of Oregon, he said, "are improved credit, suitable land and space, water supplies, basic utilities and services and technical aids." The governor said: "Our job is to stimulate resources and economic development in strategic areas that will strengthen the economy at its core, and break down the barriers of progress and momentum."

The department plan calls for a director to be appointed by the governor, and Gov. Holmes said he had an expert in the field available for the post. It was Gov. Holmes' first special message to the Legislature. He has promised another special message on taxation in about two weeks.

**DOW-JONES AVERAGES**  
New York—(U.P.)—Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrial 469.00, up 2.16; 20 railroads 142.74, up 0.34; 15 utilities 70.12, up 0.06; and 65 stocks 165.83, up 0.55. Sales today were about 1,790,000 shares compared with 1,670,000 shares Tuesday.

**Beirut, Lebanon—(U.P.)**—The assassination in Beirut of Maj. Ghassan Jaidi, one of Syria's top anti-Communist leaders, may blow the lid off the explosive Syrian political situation, diplomats said here today.

## Special Session of Legislature Possible

Salem—A special session of the legislature later this year is being freely, though quietly, predicted by many Republican members of the assembly, according to State Rep. E. A. (Al) Littrell, of Medford. He said this belief comes from the tax dilemma now facing the legislature. The House has killed consideration of a sales tax for this session, and both houses are expected to enact legislation prohibiting the state from collecting a property tax, and to kill the unpopular surtax on income taxes.

The only other way to raise sufficient money is through the income tax, by raising the percentage of tax in the various income brackets, and by eliminating some exemptions. (One proposal which may be revived from two years ago is to eliminate the use of the federal income tax as a deduction.) But, as is the case with all tax legislation, any such proposals can be referred to a vote of the people by petition. Republican members expect this to happen. If it does, the state would be left for two years without sufficient money to operate. It is for this reason the GOP members expect a special session to be necessary. Representative Littrell said that during the early part of the session, the biggest bulk of his mail was concerning the sales tax, and that it ran 30 or 40 to 1 in favor of such a tax, from Jackson county people. Since that tax was killed, most of his correspondence about taxes has been against property taxes and the surtax.

The second-greatest volume of mail, Littrell said, has been in regard to the many bills affecting education, but in recent weeks there have been many letters suggesting that he support a proposed new 4-H building at the state fair grounds. A bill which would require banks to close on Saturdays, which was introduced a few days ago, has also resulted in considerable correspondence. Littrell said, some favoring it, but most against it—particularly from Granges and other farm groups.

Littrell, who served on the interim committee on highways during the past two years, said he has received "surprisingly little" correspondence on highway matters. He said he has had virtually no reaction from home regarding the highway commission's recent decision on the Hawthorne park route for the new Highway 99 freeway in the Medford area.

**Damage Is Light in General Alarm Fire**  
A general alarm fire at the Chungking inn, 30 North Front st., was extinguished within 10 minutes after firemen were called about 10:30 p.m. Yesterday. The blaze originated in a pan of grease on the kitchen range and damage to the inn, other than smoke, was confined to the area of origin, firemen reported. Fire extended to vent pipes, the wood lath ceiling and a storage room. Occupants of the Imperial rooms upstairs were evacuated. Heavy smoke extended to the rooms and smoke damage also resulted in the interior of the Owl club, 32 North Front st., which is separated from Chungking inn by a frame partition. The building is owned by DuCombe Properties, Inc. Three pumps and the aerial ladder truck were sent to the scene. Thirteen of the 14 firemen on duty were dispatched and 18 off duty firemen and seven volunteers responded to the alarm.

**669 Area Youngsters Get Second Salk Vaccine Shots**  
A total of 669 youngsters under 20 years of age received their second Salk vaccine shots yesterday, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health physician. Shots were given to 593 at Talent High school, Washington school in Medford, Sams Valley school and Southern Oregon college. Seventy-six shots were given in the county health department. The vaccine was to be given today at Jacksonville, Lone Pine, Prospect, Lincoln and Briscoe schools. Tomorrow between 9 and 11 a.m., vaccine will be administered to youngsters at Howard, Applegate, Central

Point Junior high and Jackson schools. Dr. Merkel said 756 shots were given Monday. He added that several received their first shots of the vaccine Monday and Tuesday in the health department, but few have received their first shots during this round at the county schools. For the benefit of those who are unable to receive their shots during regular hours, a special station will be set up at the Medford Elks club basement between 7 and 9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 25. Those who did not receive their first shots last month may receive them now and have their second in the series next month at the health department, Dr. Merkel said.

**Billy Sunday's Widow Succumbs in Phoenix**  
Phoenix—(U.P.)—Mrs. Helen Sunday, 8, widow of evangelist Billy Sunday, died here today. Mrs. Sunday had suffered from cancer of the lung and a heart ailment. She has worked in religious activities since her husband died in 1936.

**Hong Kong—(U.P.)**—The Communist Chinese Red Cross said today turnover American Samuel D. Hawkins, Oklahoma City, Okla., will arrive in Hong Kong

## Construction of Highway 99 Set to Start in Fall '58

By ERIC ALLEN JR.  
Mail Tribune Managing Editor  
Salem—W. C. (Dutch) Williams, state highway engineer, said today that construction on the new Highway 99 freeway in the Medford area is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1958, about a year and a half from now. Williams said that within about three months the highway department will have completed the draft of a proposed agreement with the city of Medford, which will spell out the grade of the elevated freeway through Medford parallel to Bear creek, as well as matters concerning street overpasses and other details of construction.

Some members of the Medford city council last week indicated they may oppose this agreement. Prior to a highway commission hearing on the four principal proposed routes, members of the council indicated they would take a stand on it after the hearing. Since the election, however, a majority of the members of the council have changed. Discussions have been conducted among them on the freeway route in recent weeks, and they held an informal luncheon meeting recently with Construction Engineer Tom Edwards to obtain further details of the proposal. Williams, asked what would happen if the council voted to oppose an agreement with the commission, said it would be a matter for the commission to decide. There are several alternatives, he indicated.

He said that if the council does not approve the agreement, the construction schedule would be disrupted, and it would be impossible to say when that portion of Highway 99 would be rebuilt under the federal 13-year program. The Jackson county section of the freeway, with the exception of the 35-foot-high overpass between Jackson and 12th streets in Medford, would be built to the same standards as those employed in the construction of the recently-completed R. H. Baldock freeway between Salem and Portland. Eventually, Highway 99 from border to border will be rebuilt or revised to those standards. The Baldock freeway, which sweeps across-country down the northern Willamette valley, has cut travel time between Salem and Portland to less than an hour, and completion of the north-south freeway will make Medford an easy six-hour or less drive from Portland.

**Kapers Open Today At High School**  
Medford Kiwanis open the four-day run of their ninth annual Kapers this evening at the senior high school auditorium. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. for the two act presentation, "Guys 'N' Disguise." The show includes varied entertainment with skits, dances, songs and gags in the first act and a minstrel show second act. All local talent will appear in the show with professional direction of Randy LaFerr, Lassen Productions.

"So Far He's Given 4 Different Answers — All Wrong"



## Council Passes Tree Planting Ordinance

An ordinance permitting tree planting in parking strips and other public property was adopted last night by the Medford city council. The ordinance provides that permission from the city is necessary before certain species of trees are planted. This is because some trees become detrimental to sewers, sidewalks, streets and similar public installations, it was explained. Councilman Al Bradford said he "hated to outlaw the people their choice in planting trees, whether it was a small one or a shrub." Mrs. Edith Eden, former planning commission member who prepared much of the "street tree plan" said many people do not realize some tree roots go as deep as they do.

**Requirements** Public safety, clearance for utility lines and for view also were noted as requirements for planting. Nailing signs on trees or otherwise abusing them are prohibited. Violation of the ordinance is punishable by \$50 fine or jail imprisonment not to exceed 20 days. The street tree planting program was planned on a section-by-section basis, according to Mrs. Eden. The plan recommends street tree planting in the Verde Hills-Eastwood areas, Country Club Manor and an area in extreme southeast Medford bounded by Peach st., Dakota st., and Stewart ave. The program calls for planting of uniform species of trees in certain areas. No other type of tree could be planted on public property in the areas. Property owners may plant any species of trees they desire on their private property, the council stressed.

**Not Required to Plant** The council pointed out that residents are not required to plant trees in the area between the curb and sidewalks. The ordinance provides regulations for those residents who wish to plant trees on public property, councilmen noted. In areas where planting any tree on parking strips or other public property will be detrimental, the property owner will be urged, but not required, to plant on his property a species of tree conforming to the city street tree plan.

The program, which has been adopted in many cities in the county, will start in young subdivisions, Mrs. Eden said. (Council Stories Pages 5 & 12)

**Prisoner Suffers Attack in Car**  
A 53-year-old prisoner suffered a heart attack early this morning while being transported with two other prisoners from the Jackson county jail to the state penitentiary, Sheriff Howard Gault reported today. Jim Carl Dunbar of Albany, who was to begin a one-year penitentiary sentence today, suffered the attack as the car in which the prisoners and two law enforcement officers were being transported. Sgt. Paul Bettio and Glenn Wright, drove directly to Josephine County General hospital, where Dunbar was examined and ordered confined. Gault said Dunbar has a history of heart trouble and is expected to remain in the hospital for several days. Dunbar received the penitentiary sentence Monday for obtaining money by false pretences.

**County Offices to Close February 22**  
Most county, state and federal offices will be closed Friday, Feb. 22, in observance of George Washington's birthday, but the city hall will remain open and schools will be in session. Law enforcement officers will be on duty during the day. Most retail stores and local banks will be open all day and most schools throughout the county will hold special programs. Liquor stores, employment office, department of motor vehicles and other state agencies will be closed. Post offices will also be closed and there will be no mail deliveries during the day.

## Issue Unresolved In Meeting With Congressmen

Talk Scheduled Over Radio, TV

Washington—(U.P.)—President Eisenhower conferred with congressional leaders on the Middle East crisis today and the White House announced he would make a nationwide radio and television address tonight to discuss "the present situation." White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty refused to say whether Mr. Eisenhower would discuss sanctions against Israel in his talk tonight.

President Eisenhower's address to the nation on the situation in the Middle East will be carried over radio station KMED (1440 kc) at 6 p.m. and over station KYJC (1230 kc) at 8:30 p.m. The address also will be carried by station KBES-TV at 8 p.m.

President Eisenhower and his top foreign policy aides met for more than two hours this morning with congressional leaders who overwhelmingly oppose sanctions against Israel. The President and his advisers, including Secretary of State John Foster Dulles and U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. outlined administration policy to the 26 House and Senate leaders from both parties.

Senate GOP Leader William F. Knowland said the White House probably would issue a statement on the conference later. But he declined to give any details of the meeting. Knowland, who has taken the lead in protesting sanctions against Israel, said only that "it was a full and free discussion and an exchange of views. No final conclusions were reached."

Hagerty issued his statement after the meeting, at which the congressional leaders said the U.S. attitude toward sanctions was not resolved one way or another. Hagerty said the President would "talk on the present situation in the Middle East," and on Israel's refusal to withdraw troops from Egyptian territory. Dulles was asked on leaving the White House meeting if the United States would support U.N. sanctions against Israel because of its refusal to withdraw from Egypt.

"I expect there will be something about that later in the day," Dulles said. "Where will it come from?" Dulles was asked. "From the President." Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson, also opposed to sanctions, said he heard nothing at the conference that would change his views. Concerning the overall Middle East picture, Johnson said: "It is so secret that the situation is grave."

But he said the congressional leaders "did not offer any pledges" to the administration "nor were any pledges asked." He said the administration did not put any specific proposal on the subject of sanctions before the leaders.

**Weather**  
FORECAST: Cloudy and mild with intermittent rain through Thursday. Low tonight 48-52.  
Highest Yesterday ..... 57  
Lowest this Morning ..... 42  
Prec. to 10 a.m. Today ..... .03

**Our Skies Tonight**  
Sunrise ..... 7:02 a.m.  
Sunset ..... 5:50 p.m.  
Moonrise Thursday ..... 1:20 a.m.  
Last Quarter Thursday ..... 4:18 a.m.  
PROMINENT STARS  
Arcturus, rises ..... 9:34 p.m.  
Antares, follows the Moon.  
VISIBLE PLANETS  
Mars, in the west ..... 9:34 p.m.  
Jupiter, in the south 3:40 a.m.  
Saturn, low in south-east ..... 3:48 a.m.