

# Hearing on Construction of Sewer Continued by Council

A public hearing on construction of a sanitary sewer in block 4, South Sea addition, was continued by the Medford city council last night when several residents of the area protested the sewer.

Mayor John Snider requested a complete report on the proposed project be prepared for the next council meeting.

Objecting to the sewer project were Mark M. Kline, a representative of Joe Maxfield and Mrs. Lucille James, who live on Earhart st. They said they already had sufficient sewage facilities from septic tanks and would not be benefited by the new sewer.

### Suggests Inspection

Councilman Fred Robinson suggested a sanitation expert inspect the area and Councilman Paul Meyers pointed out the area is near the proposed route of the Bear Creek-Hawthorne park freeway through Medford, which could affect possible planning in the area.

The council authorized installation of a water main on South Grape st. from Melrose to Stewart ave., after a public hearing.

A petition signed by about 70 per cent of the property owners in the area requested the project, which is the initial phase of the development of the street, according to city officials. Bids also were called for the water main projects.

The council called a public hearing April 16 on a proposal to amend the city zoning ordinance regarding requirements to provide four square feet of parking to each square foot of gross building area in limited commercial (class IIIA) districts. The

proposal would apply to new buildings and remodeled establishments.

The Medford planning commission recommended the change last week following a public hearing.

### Condemnation Procedure

Condemnation procedure against Dr. I. D. Phipps, 923 East Main st., Medford, to secure a right-of-way easement for the southeast Medford trunk sewer was approved by the council.

Negotiations with Dr. Phipps for the easement have continued for several months, City Manager Robert Duff said. No alternate route would be feasible, he added.

The section of the trunk sewer system affected extends from Barnett rd. north through the west boundary of the Rogue Valley hospital property, north through Dr. Phipps' property to serve Country Club Manor subdivision and to provide a trunk system for property east of Black Oak drive to Hillcrest rd.

Contracts were awarded Crater Lake Motors Inc., Medford, for two cab-ahead dump trucks to replace 1949 Chevrolet and 1951 Dodge dump trucks. New trucks were considered necessary because maintenance costs were becoming high on old trucks, Duff said.

### Other Bids

Low bid from Crater Lake Motors was \$6,418. Other bids were submitted by McCormick Farm Equipment, \$8,842.64; Courtesy Chevrolet, \$7,291.94; Haupter Tractor company, \$7,830; Parsons Motors, \$8,242; and Olson Mack Sales, \$15,796.

The council denied a request

from the Table Rock Sanitary district for 24 connections in that district to the Medford sewer system. Duff pointed out at a recent council meeting a matter of "council policy" was involved in the request.

Present council policy is "no service outside of city." The city manager added the area probably never would be eligible for

### Extra Width Driveway

A request from Myron Corcoran for an extra width driveway on his property on the east side of Riverside ave. and north of McAndrews rd. was approved.

In return Corcoran has agreed to abandon one of two driveways that now serve his property on the north and provide

one driveway about 45 feet in length for an off-street parking area to serve a minimum of 30 cars.

The council accepted petitions from property owners on Newtown st. from Dakota to Stewart aves. protesting a paving project in that area and from property owners on Roberts rd. east of Springbrook rd. in the

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His new government faces some of the sorest trials in the republic's 35 years of existence. They include unemployment which is now at a post-war high

of 91,000, a flood of emigration and an adverse balance of trade that sees Ireland spending 14 million pounds (\$39.2-million) more for imports than she receives for exports.

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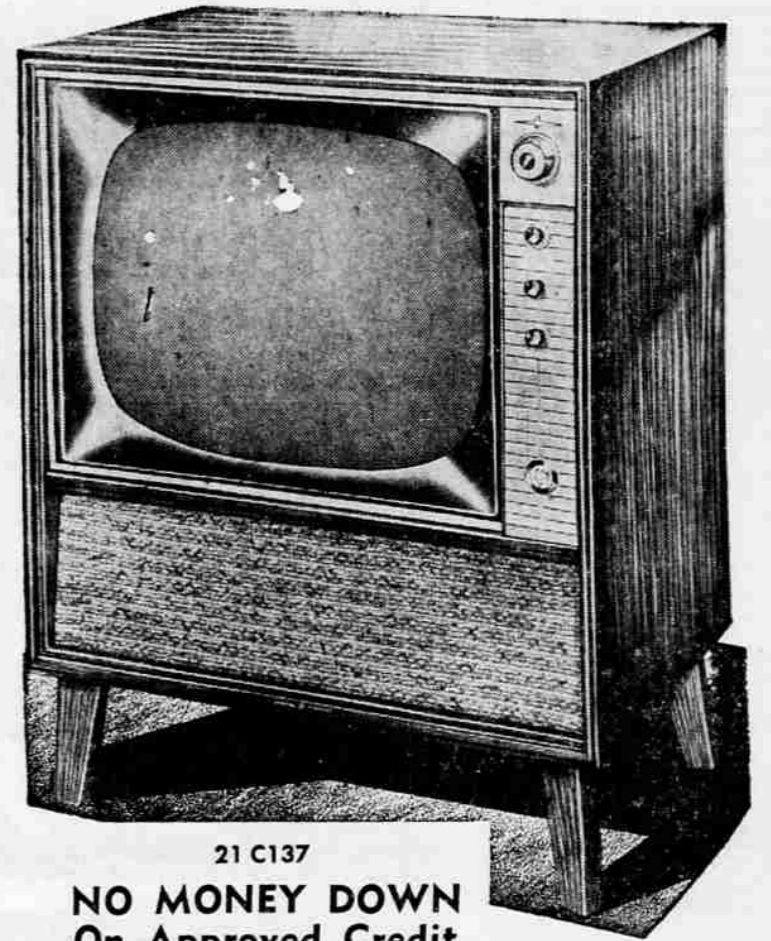
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