

Fire Prevention Code Ordinance Passed by Medford City Council

The Medford city council last night adopted an ordinance providing for a fire prevention code for the city of Medford.

City Manager Robert Duff noted that Medford did not have such a code and has been operating under the Oregon state fire marshal's laws.

Duff said the code will give the fire prevention division of the city a definite set of rules and controls and authority to regulate hazardous conditions.

He added that with the fire prevention code Medford com-

plies with requirements of the Oregon Insurance Rating bureau. Without an approved code the city would be degraded by the bureau in a rating survey.

Set of Regulations

The code also provides a set of regulations covering hazardous conditions not provided for under state fire marshal's laws.

In another action the council adopted an ordinance authorizing installation of a sanitary sewer on South Grape st. from Melrose to Stewart ave. Action on the proposal followed a public hearing. Bids on construction of the sewer will be opened April 29.

City Manager Robert Duff was authorized to prepare plans and specifications on paving Newtown st. from the north line of Belmont st. to Stewart ave. and on paving Lyman ave. from Hillcrest ave. to Jackson st. including Scheffel ave.

Petitions for paving representing 82 per cent of property owners on Newtown st., 82 per cent of the property owners on Lyman ave. and 72 per cent of those on Scheffel ave. were accepted by the council.

Accepts Petition

The council also accepted a petition from 11 property owners in the 6001700 block on South Modoc ave. requesting street reeling. Duff said the street would be reeled by the city in the course of its street repair work this summer.

An ordinance calling for bids on various Medford improvement district bonds was adopted. Duff said the ordinance is a consolidation of various improvement district projects for the purpose of issuing bonds to cover indebtedness.

The bonds to be issued are improvement district bonds guaranteed by property within the districts, he said.

An ordinance accepting as complete the construction of a water main on Marie st. from Jackson st. to Madison Place was adopted. The water superintendent certified the project had been installed according to city plans and specifications.

Approves Request

The council approved a request from Sloan and Company, at Fir and Jackson sts., to widen a driveway on Fir st. in order to provide off-street parking for customers near the office. Duff said the widened driveway would eliminate parking along the curb that is hazardous at that location.

Action was deferred for further study on a request for an extension of time to the Sears Roebuck and Company on the dedication of East 10th st. between Central and Riverside aves.

The council gave permission to Ed Foulon, 1310 East 10th st., Medford, to construct 45 feet of sewer on East 10th st. east of Ashland ave. st. was stipulated Foulon have a qualified contractor lay the sewer according to city of Medford specifications.

The council called a public hearing May 23 to consider vacation of the alley near Elm and Eighth sts. in the Highland Park addition.



NEW SHOWROOM—Shown above is the new Dean and Taylor Pontiac company showroom at Sixth and Grape sts., Medford, construction of which recently was completed. The showroom is the final phase of development of the company lot to be completed in a series of projects since 1940. The

new showroom provides space for four cars as well as office quarters. Currently the company is offering four new Pontiacs free through a demonstration contest, according to company officials.

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Council Changes Meter Time Limit

The Medford city council last night adopted an ordinance changing the time limit on 117 parking meters in downtown Medford from 12 to 30 minutes. Changes will be effective May 15.

The ordinance also adjusted rates on the former 12-minute meters to 5 cents for 30 minutes and 10 cents for an hour.

The parking meter ordinance also changes meter operation hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. According to the city traffic department meter revenue would increase to \$15,482 per year for 17 meters under the changes, compared to \$11,320 per year from 50 meters under the previous system.

The meter changes resulted from a recent parking survey which indicated 12-minute meters do not accommodate any more parked cars per day than one-hour meters. Twelve-minute meters also are difficult for the police department to check, according to the survey.

Police Chief Charles Champin said the department could check meters during the new operation hours without adding a new patrolman to the force.

Selection of Jury For Elkins-Clark Trial Continues

Portland—(U.P.)—Selection of a jury in the wiretap trial of racketeer James B. Elkins and his employee, Raymond F. Clark, continued in Federal Court today after a federal judge voided state injunction.

U. S. District Judge William G. East Tuesday ruled "void and of no force" a temporary injunction to prohibit subpoenaing by the Federal Court of certain witnesses in the trial of Elkins and Clark.

Firm Conclusion
Before prospective jurors were called, Elkins' attorney, Walter H. Evans, submitted a copy of the injunction which was signed by Circuit Judge Charles Redding.

Judge East said "I have reached the firm conclusion—that the order is void and of no force and effect insofar as it would interfere with the processes of this court by barring witnesses who have been subpoenaed to testify concerning the seizure of evidence . . ."

Rights Not Violated
Judge East said that acquisition of tape recordings by federal agencies was not a violation of the constitutional rights of the defendants.

The tapes were originally seized at Clark's home in a raid later declared illegal in state courts. Later the FBI seized the recordings and federal indictments followed.

Ten prospective jurors were chosen Tuesday.

Marilyn Monroe Elects New Board

New York—(U.P.)—Marilyn Monroe elected herself a new board of directors Tuesday, ousting the photographer-agent who still holds a 49.6 per cent interest in Marilyn Monroe Productions, Inc.

Both the actress and the photographer, Milton Greene, denied she had kicked him out of the corporation of which they are the sole stockholders.

Miss Monroe, with 50.4 per cent of the stock, elected a whole new set of directors, including a friend and a brother-in-law of her husband, playwright Arthur Miller.

But she said "nobody was kicked out. Their terms expired."

Greene said he voted for Miss Monroe, who continues as president of the corporation, was "happy," and "I'm not going to sell my stock."

The new directors are attorney Robert H. Montgomery Jr., George Levine, a friend of Miller, and George Kupchick, who is Miller's brother-in-law.

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