

Khrushchev Emerges as Boss in Russia



NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV
Russia's New Dictator?



VYACHESLAV MOLOTOV
Has He Been Arrested?

Hearing on Change Of Zone for Center Scheduled Tonight

The Medford city council will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. today on zoning about 28 acres of land at the corner of Jackson and Biddle rd. from single family to limited commercial.

Planned for the area is a \$1 1/2 million shopping center which will include Sears, Roebuck and company, Safeway and other establishments. Construction of the center is planned for this fall with completion early next summer.

Old Phipps Farm
The property is a portion of the old Phipps farm, optioned recently to J. E. McClellan, of Buttriss and McClellan, and associates. McClellan is developing the shopping center.

In making its decision, the council will have before it a report on the proposal, prepared by Charles B. Bennett and Associates, Los Angeles planning consultant firm, which was retained to prepare a report on the proposed shopping center.

The report, copies of which were given councilmen this week, disapproves the rezoning of the full 28.3 acres of land, and suggests instead that only 12 or 15 acres be rezoned.

The report said the firm did not feel that a "regional" shopping center of the contemplated size is justified, but that Medford should have no fears that a smaller center, including Sears and "a supermarket and chain drug store on the same site," would seriously affect downtown merchants.

Critical of City
The report was critical of the city for not providing more off-street parking area in the downtown section.

The council also will hold a hearing on paving Marion st. from Saling ave. to Jackson st.

Several other items are on the council's agenda, including consideration of diversion of a portion of sewer service charges from the Camp White Sewer sinking fund to sewage treatment plant operation, and a proposed amendment to the fire code.

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HOLIDAY DEATH TOLL CLIMBING

By UNITED PRESS
Traffic victims died one at a time or two, three and four at a clip on the Fourth of July, and alarmed safety councilors appealed today to drivers to get their travel under control.

6 Persons Drown, Cycle Accident Fatal in Oregon

By UNITED PRESS
Six persons drowned and another died in a motorcycle accident in Oregon on the Fourth of July. Three of the drowning victims were in one accident.

The motorcycle victim was John Malo, about 60, a railroad section hand from Troutdale. He was killed and three other men riding on the motorcycle were injured when it struck a concrete abutment about three miles east of Troutdale on Highway 30.

Airmen Drown
Two young airmen and a 19-year-old Portland girl drowned off Marshall's beach on Sauvie Island Thursday afternoon. The victims were St. Louis Bradley, 20, airman 2C, St. Louis, Mo.; James Goodrich, 19, and airman 3C, Phenix City, Ala., and Rosemary Brown, Portland. The airmen were stationed at Portland Air Force Base.

Lawrence Patrick Johnson, 19, a Baker county resident on a 30-day furlough from the Army, drowned while swimming in a small reservoir above Rock Creek west of Baker Thursday afternoon. His body was recovered.

Lester Keith, 10, Riddle, drowned in the South Umpqua river at Canyonville state park about 30 miles south of Roseburg. His body was recovered in eight feet of water.

Anthony Markowski, 20, Portland, drowned in the surf at Cannon Beach. He was swimming with two companions at the north end of the beach when he apparently became exhausted. His body was recovered.

New Aerial Inspection Plan Agreed Upon
London — The western powers have agreed to test the Soviet Union's newly proclaimed call for peace by asking the Kremlin to open all Soviet European territories from Poland to the Ural Mountains for aerial inspection, informed sources said today.

In return, members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization would open all of Europe sources said.

In the five-power Disarmament Conference today the United States offered to out-match Russia in converting atomic bomb fuel to peaceful uses in an attempt to end the nuclear weapons race.

Informed sources said U. S. Defense Harold E. Stassen said the U. S. was willing to transfer 53 units of fissionable material to international stockpiles for every 47 contributed by the Soviet Union. The Soviets said they would study the proposal.

Truman Library Dedication Saturday
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Results of Form B showed 118 seventh graders averaged 55.4, national average 49.8; 128 eighth graders averaged 62.6, national average 58.5; 157 ninth graders averaged 70.0, national average 65.8; 123 tenth graders averaged 77.2, national average 73.4; 84 eleventh graders averaged 86.2, national average 81.5; 77 twelfth graders averaged 91.3, national average 87.1.

ity lists took most of the attention of the National Safety Council.

A United Press tally at 7 a.m. (p.s.t.) showed 161 motorists dead in highway accidents since the holiday began at 6 p.m. Wednesday. Drownings killed 94, plane accidents 6, miscellaneous mishaps 14, and the total was 275.

Ohio had 16 traffic deaths, Pennsylvania 15, Texas 13, Oklahoma 12, New York 10, and California 8.

Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, issued a warning during the early morning hours that the toll will come near the pre-holiday estimates of 535 persons killed unless the rate slowed. Instead, the rate mounted as reports came in.

"We appeal to the drivers to help traffic enforcement agencies in bringing the toll back under control," said Dearborn. "It is increasing at an alarming rate."

The rate was running ahead of that in the same period of elapsed time in the last previous four-day holiday of the year, New Year's.

One of the nation's worst tragedies occurred near Leesville, La. Thursday when six persons were drowned in a chain of disastrous attempts.

Authorities said the 20, ranging in age from 8 to 26, were fishing when one of the youngsters fell overboard. One by one the others jumped into the water in futile efforts to save their companions.

Girl Accidentally Shot in Stomach
A nine-year-old girl was accidentally shot through the stomach with a .22 caliber gun this morning, but was reported in good condition at Ashland General hospital.

The girl is Cynda Lou Kesler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kesler, 5054 South Pacific highway.

State police said they were called to the Kesler home about 9:53 a.m. today. An officer escorted the Kesler car which took the girl to the Ashland hospital. Later state police transported a pint of blood for her from the Rogue Valley hospital here to Ashland.

Police said apparently Cynda and her brother, Stephen, 12, were playing with cap pistols when they went into the milk house on the Kesler property. There the boy picked up a gun, .22 caliber, and not knowing it was loaded, fired at his sister.

The bullet struck the girl in the abdomen and came out in her back. The doctor who attended the child said no vital organs appeared to be hurt.

Family Reports Rock Throwing Attack
A Jackson county family which had stopped by a roadside last night was reportedly attacked by a rock-throwing group of young men.

Judd Doty, route 3, box 275, Medford, called state police at 10:50 p.m. He said he and his family had just left Jacksonville for Medford on the South State rd., when he stopped the car to check, and he saw a fire in the rear Bellingier lane.

Doty said a car full of young men drove up, and the occupants "started cussing and throwing rocks," driving the Doty family into the brush at the side of the road.

Doty called from a service station near Oak Grove school. An officer was sent to investigate but no one was apprehended.

Drastic Revision of Soil Subsidies Planned
Washington — The administration has quietly drafted plans drastically revising 1958 soil conservation subsidies to get more for each federal conservation dollar.

Weather
FORECAST: Fair tonight and scattered thunderstorms over mountains Saturday afternoon. Low tonight 58. High Saturday 92-95. Temp. Highest Yesterday 97. Lowest This Morning 57.

Our Skies Tonight
Sunrise 4:52 a.m. Sunset 7:51 p.m. Moonset Saturday 12:38 a.m. Full Moon July 11. Venus has now moved into the constellation Cancer, and it gets a little further south each night. Next week it will be still nearer Mars.

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Huge A-Bomb Tested

Explosion Jars California Towns 300 Miles Away
Flash 500 Times Brighter Than Sun

Atomic Test Site, Nev. — American scientists set off the biggest atomic device ever fired inside the United States today, a monster blast nearly four times as powerful as the A-bombs which brought Japan to her knees in World War II.

Yet despite the tremendous violence that turned the quiet western Nevada desert into a momentary hell, the explosion failed to injure a single man or break one pane of glass.

A reflection of the atomic explosion this morning at Yucca Flat, Nev., was seen in Medford.

Austin Pitcher, who is visiting at the Bob Littrell residence, 34 Fair Oaks dr., from Eugene, reported he saw a yellowish glow in the southern sky about 3:43 a.m. today.

The bomb's violence was estimated unofficially at 75 kilotons, or equal to 75,000 tons of TNT.

Today's device went off at 3:40 a.m. (p.s.t.) from a platform held 1,500 feet above Yucca Flat by a giant helium-filled balloon.

Coastal Cities Jarrd
The blinding flash illuminated the western sky before dawn and a shock wave like an earthquake jarred California coastal cities 300 miles away and was felt on the Mexican border.

The Atomic Energy Commission, after more than five hours of figuring, announced only that "the yield of this morning's shot was the highest ever fired on the continental United States and was 'well over' the yield of the previous high yield shot."

A United Air Lines pilot flying to Los Angeles from Hawaii reported spotting the big blast while 800 miles off the Southern California shore. It turned night into day in Los Angeles when shock waves rattled windows and doors, awaking hundreds of sleepers who thought it was an earthquake.

From all spotings over the western area, it was estimated the flash could have been seen within a million square miles.

Marine Brig. Gen. Harvey C. Tschirg, who commanded Leathernecks in trenches almost under the giant fireball, said he felt the deafening explosion as if an artillery piece had gone off in his ear, but he said his men learned "they could go through a nuclear blast and live to tell their buddies about it."

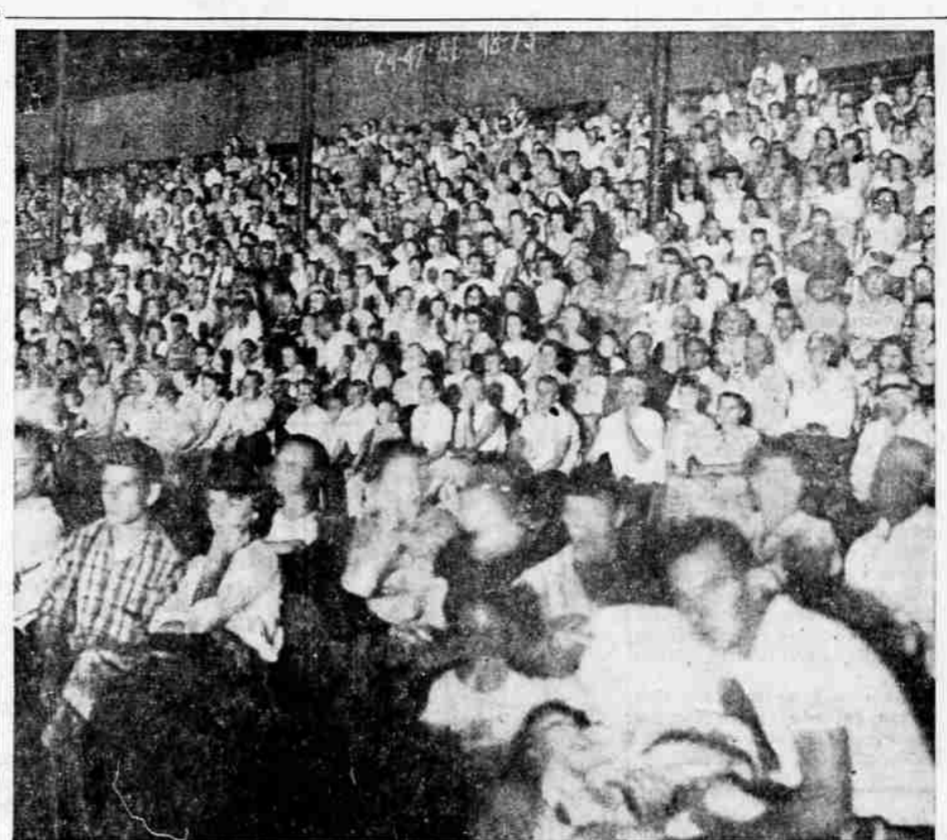
Larger Bombs Tested
As big as the blast was, much much larger A-bombs have been tested in the watery reaches of the South Pacific, some of them in the range of 500 kilotons, or equal to a half million tons of TNT. H-bombs have been tested there, too, with yields running well into the millions of tons in terms of TNT.

The highly experimental bomb sent an unbridled shock wave over 2,000 Marines crouched in trenches only 3 1/2 miles from the hellish fireball that brightened the sky for more than 1,500 miles.

Brighter Than Sun
It exploded with a blinding flash more than 500 times brighter than the sun. The flash was visible for hundreds of miles in all directions as a tremendous fireball boiled upward in a clear sky.

The fireball which followed the flash was tremendous. It burned a temperature of nearly one million degrees centigrade, and at News Nob, 13 miles away, its heat felt for a moment like someone had opened the door of a giant blast furnace.

The intense heat of the fireball, which churned furiously for nearly a full minute, set fire to the brush and yucca trees on the slopes of a small mountain ridge several miles north of ground zero.



FIREWORKS CROWD — Part of the crowd, estimated to be between 3,700 and 4,000, is shown watching the Fourth of July fireworks display at Medford High school stadium last night. The show was sponsored by the Med-

ford YMCA to raise funds for the Diamond Lake camp. The photograph was taken with light from the Niagara Falls display without the use of flash equipment. —(Kenn Knackstedt photo)

Crowd Estimated About 4,000 Sees Fireworks Display

A capacity crowd, estimated at between 3,700 and 4,000 persons, watched the Fourth of July fireworks show at the Medford High school stadium last night.

This was about 700 more than last year, according to Robert Jones, general secretary of the YMCA.

The show was sponsored by the YMCA camp committee. Proceeds go to improvements at the Y's Diamond Lake camp. The fireworks show and campers' fees are the only funds available for maintaining the camp.

Only Injury
Gordon Mueller, 21, of 227 Cottage st., received the first injury of the night with only one degree burn about his face, neck and one arm. Mueller was burned when a firework mortar was fired by improper procedure.

He was taken to Sacred Heart hospital by Medford Ambulance and was to be released this afternoon.

The Southern Oregon Timing association, of which Mueller is a member, did the actual firing of the fireworks. The show was managed by Clifford McGinty, Howard Lage, Glenn Jennings and Jerry Lausman.

Aerial Ground Displays
Fireworks included both the aerial explosion type and ground displays of a patriotic and regional nature.

City firemen stood by with two pumper trucks and the aerial ladder vehicle from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the stadium last night. They extinguished the fire in the hedge at the north end of the field which resulted from the pit explosion in which Mueller was burned. They demonstrated the use of the ladder truck.

SOTA members paraded their hot rod cars. Use of a 24-wheeled (12 sets of duals) truck manufactured by Tucker Sno-Cat corporation was shown. Both front and rear sets of wheels turn on the truck which was driven sideways the length of the field.

Mainland-To-Hawaii Flight Sets Record
George AFB, Calif. — Four Air Force F100 Super Sabre jets set a record of five hours, 20 minutes total flying time today in a "long range cruise control mission" from the mainland to Hickam Field, Hawaii.

The Air Force announced the jet fighters streaked over Honolulu and landed at Hickam at 10:55 a.m. (p.s.t.).

Bids For Crater Lake Apartment Buildings To Be Opened July 25

Bids on construction of four two-story duplex apartment houses in the Munson Valley and Annie Springs areas at Crater Lake National park will be opened at 2 p.m. July 25 in the park office, room 307, Medford post office, according to Tom Williams, park superintendent.

Preliminary Hearings Scheduled in Court
Preliminary hearings in district court were scheduled for 1:30 p.m. today for Glen Eugene Beck, 36, Live Oak, Calif., and Willie Woodrow Wolfe, 37, Fresno, Calif.

The two men, charged with assault and robbery while not armed with a dangerous weapon, appeared without counsel for arraignment Wednesday afternoon. They are being held in the county jail on \$2,000 bail each.

William Lloyd Johnston, 32, address unknown, was returned to Jackson county from Crescent City, Calif., Wednesday. He is charged with assault and robbery while not armed with a dangerous weapon and is expected to be arraigned soon.

The three men are accused of robbing Grady Allen Conner, 724 Victory st., Medford, Monday night in Talent.

Rogue River Man Is Presumed Dead

Norman Lee Bean, 22, Rogue River, was listed missing and presumed dead by the defense department in a fire aboard the aircraft carrier Lake Champlain at Marseille, France, early this week.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bean, Rogue River. The Beans' other son, William, also lives in Rogue River.

Norman enlisted in the Navy after graduating from Rogue River High school in 1954. He was a member of the high school football team and played in the state "B" football game at Pendleton in August of 1954.

Pioneer Post Office Not To Be National Shrine
Washington — The National Park Service ruled today that the Pioneer postoffice in downtown Portland, Ore., does not qualify as a national historic shrine.

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.) had asked the park service to look into the possibility of preserving the old building as an historic site.

Mystery Surrounds Whereabouts of Ousted Officials

Propaganda Campaign Aimed at Deposed Trio

LONDON — The Soviet military rallied to the support of Nikita S. Khrushchev today in his purge of the trio of Stalinist leaders ousted for their alleged "anti-party" and "anti-government" sins in Russia.

Led by Soviet Defense Minister George Zhukov, the armed forces chiefs sparked a mounting campaign of propaganda against the deposed Red bosses. Whereabouts Mystery

Mystery still cloaked the whereabouts of V. M. Molotov, Georgi Malenkov and Lazar Kaganovich. They apparently were enjoying a technical "freedom" in Moscow that might be short-lived.

Communist sources here said the three men may have to face trial for their shortcomings. If they do, the sources said, the death penalty might be invoked against them.

The intensity of the attacks against the ousted trio by the military leaders at meetings of the garrisons in Moscow, Sebastopol and Leningrad, as well as in Red Star, official organ of the Soviet armed forces, showed Khrushchev had their full support.

Undisputed Boss
The support showed Khrushchev has emerged as the undisputed boss of Russia, with Zhukov moving up right behind him in importance. But the turmoil of the past few days may be only the prelude to further upheavals.

As Khrushchev consolidated his power and the fate of Molotov and company hung in the balance, there were these other developments: —The Central Committee of the Chinese Communist party gave full backing to the Soviet purge of the top Stalinist advocates.

—Zhukov pledged the full might of the Soviet armed forces to the defense of the Soviet state in an address to a Moscow mass meeting.

—Red Star, in effect, accused Molotov and his "colleagues of treachery for having "intrigued and conspired to remove the elected leaders and fill key posts with their own followers." Red Star added the name of former Foreign Minister Dmitri Shepilov, also purged, to the list of malefactors.

Workers Hold Meetings
—Khrushchev and Premier Nikolai Bulganin went ahead with their announced plans to start their postponed visit to Czechoslovakia next Monday in an apparent effort to prove that all now is well inside Russia.

—Mass meetings of workers and peasants were held throughout the Soviet Union and "spontaneously" denounced Molotov, Malenkov and Kaganovich in increasingly bitter tones.

In Washington American diplomatic experts felt that Khrushchev had immeasurably strengthened his hold on the Kremlin and that the move marked a new rise in power for the Red army.

Economic Reforms Predicted
Drastic reforms in Russia's economy were predicted — heralded by a Soviet decree that farmers no longer will have to deliver their products to the government. It was a major concession to win support of the farmers who have chafed under the yoke of their forced deliveries.

Lake Charles, La. — A systematic search of marooned vehicles is expected to add more victims to hurricane Audrey's grim toll of 304 counted dead.

