

# Huge Rock Slide Kills 2 at Swift Project

"Just A Little More Watering Down"



## Subdivision Bill Is Approved by Planners

A proposed subdivision ordinance was approved and referred to the county court last night by the Jackson county planning commission.

Following the resolution, Herbert O. Pritchard, planning consultant, said the normal procedure is for the county court to study the ordinance and refer it to the district attorney for legal study.

Last night's meeting was to have been a public hearing, but no one but commission members attended. Letters had been sent to cities throughout the county inviting them to send representatives to make suggestions on the proposed ordinance.

Under the proposed ordinance, it would be unlawful for anyone to sell or contract to sell any subdivision until all the requirements listed in the ordinance are complied with.

Copies of the preliminary map of a proposed subdivision must be filed with the commission along with a statement. Copies of the map will be referred to the county engineer, health department, irrigation district and any incorporated city near the subdivision.

The commission has 30 days to approve in full, conditionally

approve or disapprove the subdivision. The commission may suggest advisability of dedicating suitable areas for parks, playgrounds and schools and other public building sites. The subdivider may be required also to set aside areas for school sites for purchase within three years.

The subdivider is required to file a certificate with the county clerk showing there are no liens against the subdivision for unpaid taxes. Final approval is required from the county surveyor, planning commission and county court.

Objectives of the uniform regulations were listed in the ordinance as (1) to create better living conditions within the new subdivision; (2) only those areas which can be economically serviced and maintained will be developed; (3) land descriptions will be simplified and made more certain; (4) necessary city streets, utilities and public areas may be extended without expensive labor purchases; (5) property values will be enhanced and secured in the subdivision and adjacent lands; (6) purchasers will be protected from unexpected assessments.

Representatives from the PUC office in Salem and a Medford city policeman are giving PUC-addressed cards to all motorists passing the crossing. The cards seek information as to where drivers started and where they are going.

The study, which has been underway in Salem for some time, is aimed "to reduce railroad accidents and hazards, and train and vehicle conflicts," according to the card.

Train movements also are being studied. The 11th st. crossing has been the scene of numerous traffic mishaps during the years, Traffic Engineer Vernon Thorpe said.

## Sailor Bound Over To Grand Jury

Lucien Heber LeBaron, 19-year-old sailor charged with assault with a deadly weapon, was bound over to the grand jury yesterday afternoon.

LeBaron waived an attorney and a preliminary hearing yesterday. Bail has been set at \$1,500. He was apprehended with two companions at a drive-in near Medford early Sunday morning by state police after threatening a waitress with a butcher knife.

## Weather

FORECAST: Fair tonight and Wednesday. Low tonight 34; high Wednesday 90. Temp. High yesterday 90. Lowest this morning 51.

## Our Skies Tonight

Sunrise 4:53 a.m. Sunset 7:40 p.m. The moon rises Wednesday and rises high. New moon July 26. PROMINENT STAR Altair, high in southeast 9:58 p.m. Brightest star of the constellation, Aquila, Altair is 1 1/2 light years from the Earth.

## Action Called To Recover Excess Profits From GM in Airplane Contract

Washington—House investigators called today for action to recover some of the allegedly excess profits General Motors made building 599 F84 jet fighters for the Air Force.

The GAO called "unreasonably high prices" paid GM under the contract. The report said GM chalked up a profit of \$32,940,500 on a \$208,998,000 contract whereas a profit of only \$15,481,300 had been "contemplated."

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## Morse Object Limiting Measure On Civil Rights

Washington—The Senate rejected today a proposal that the President, rather than his attorney general, be given the main responsibility for federal intervention in a wide variety of civil rights cases. The proposal was contained in a civil rights bill amendment by Sen. John W. Bricker (R-Ohio).

Washington—Sen. Wayne L. Morse (D-Ore.), in a speech prepared for Senate debate on the civil rights bill, today objected to limiting the bill to voting rights and to proposed amendments to guarantee trial by jury.

"We have no right to authorize legislatively an installment plan system of civil rights to the American Negro," he said in declaring his opposition to the amendment to kill part III. That is the section which would give the attorney general power to seek injunctions to halt violations of a broad range of civil rights.

Advocates of amendments to provide a jury trial in contempt of court cases in which the government is a party, he said, are asking "for what has never been."

Morse called the pending measure a "minimum" bill and said: "I can think of nothing more important than to stand our ground and see that this bill passes without so-called compromises. If these so-called compromises succeed and the bill is passed, the administration and the majority voting for such a compromised bill would perpetrate a fraud upon the people."

## Tavern Operators Arrested by Police

George William Smith, 67, and his wife, Elsie M. Smith, 56, operators of Smith's tavern, North Pacific highway, were arrested by city police today under provisions of a recently enacted city ordinance affecting liquor sales.

The couple posted \$300 bail each, \$50 for each of six counts, and are to appear in municipal court Wednesday morning.

They are charged with furnishing and serving alcoholic beverages to minors and allowing minors to loiter on the tavern premises the evening of July 19. Similar cases in the past have been taken to district court, police said.

## House-Senate Conferees Agree on Defense Money

Washington—House-Senate conferees agreed Monday on a compromise \$33,759,850,000 appropriations bill to finance the nation's huge defense establishment for the new fiscal year.

## UNANDER ADVOCATES TAX RELIEF

Salem—State Treasurer Sig Unander today advocated using some of the state's general fund surplus to provide tax relief for Oregon citizens.

Unander told the State Board of Control that a special session of the state Legislature probably would be necessary to approve using the money for tax relief purposes.

Gov. Robert D. Holmes did not commit himself to the proposal but said it should be investigated.

Secretary of State Mark Hatfield reported last week the state had a general fund surplus of about \$48 million. The surplus was more than anticipated, due chiefly to higher income tax receipts.

"I see no reason why so large an amount of money should lie idle," Unander told the board.

Unander's proposal was not on the board's agenda and neither was a proposal by State Finance Director John Richardson that he be allowed to review improvements and allot money for state institutions.

The board decided to ask the attorney general whether Richardson had the power to review plans for state institutions which are the responsibility of the Board of Control.

Preliminary plans for a \$115,000 pre-school unit for children at the state deaf school here—about which Richardson had some questions—were approved by the board.

## Request to Rezone Land Near Park Is Submitted to City

A petition to rezone a city block facing an area recently rezoned to allow construction of a shopping center was presented to the city planning commission last night.

The commission called a public hearing on the request for Aug. 12.

The petition involves the block bounded on the north by Jackson st., on the east by Genessee st., on the south by Sherman st., and on the west by Hawthorne st.

The petition asks that the block be changed from "multiple family 'dwelling' zone to 'limited commercial'."

The property is directly east of Hawthorne park and south of the 28.3-acre lot on part of the Dr. I. D. Phipps farm which was rezoned last Thursday by the city council to open the way for construction of a planned Sears, Roebuck and company store, Safeway store, and other establishments.

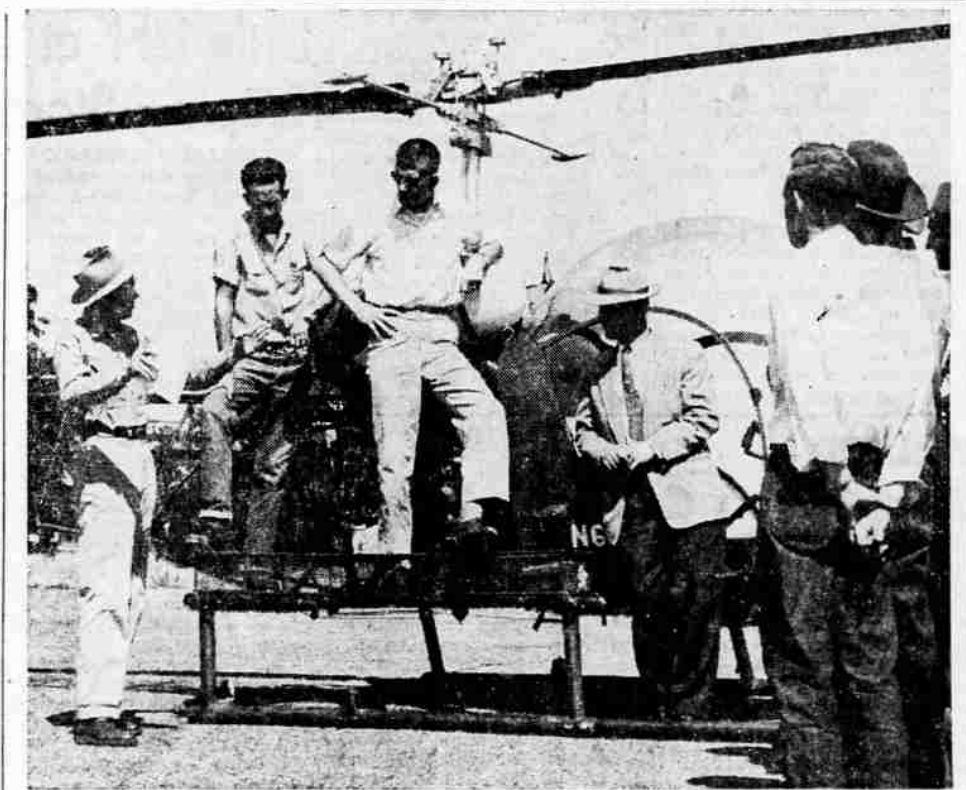
The petition was submitted by Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Sneed, 229 North Keeneway dr.; Ernestine Hicks, 208 Hawthorne ave.; and Hale Wheeler, 303 Genessee st.

Mrs. Sneed said that Standard Oil company had made an offer to buy a lot, 100 by 125 feet, on the northwest corner of the block to build a service station.

## Seven Convicted In Clinton Case

Knoxville, Tenn.—Outside John Kasper and six of 10 Clinton residents charged with contempt of court for violating a federal court integration order were convicted today.

Four Clinton residents were acquitted of the same charges. The jury of 10 men and two women returned guilty verdicts against Kasper, Lawrence Brantley, William Brakebill, Alonzo Bullock, Clyde Cook, Mrs. Mary Nell Currier and W. H. Till.



DISCUSS HELICOPTER USE—District rangers and fire control assistants from the Rogue River National forest, who will have a helicopter available for use in fighting forest fires in this area this summer, attended a training session on the use of the machine at the Medford Airport this morning.

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The first major test of whether the federal government could enforce its orders to obey the 1954 U. S. Supreme Court school desegregation decision.

## Eastern Oregon Grass Fires Under Control

By UNITED PRESS  
Range fires in eastern Oregon were reported generally under control today, and smokejumpers were shifted to Washington state where a lightning storm struck late Monday.

New fires were reported in the Okanogan and Wenatchee national forests of Washington in the northern Cascades.

Lightning also set 20 fires in the Wallawa-Whitman and Malheur national forests and other storm-set blazes were reported in Klamath county.

An experiment in fighting range fires with a crop-dusting airplane carrying water proved effective around Baker, Hunt said.

Guy Johnson, regional dispatcher for the Forest Service, said four smoke jumpers were sent to the Okanogan national forest Monday and that seven more would be sent from La Grande.

Atmosphere Smoky  
Atmosphere in the Vale area was reported smoky from numerous blazes in western Idaho and eastern Oregon.

## Eastern Oregon Grass Fires Under Control

Lightning storms Sunday set off 14 small fires in the Fremont National forest. Jack Groom, fire control officer for the forest, said today.

Eight of the fires were discovered Sunday night and the others Monday afternoon. Each was brought under control after burning less than an acre. A grass fire on a hillside east of Lakeview, believed to have been caused by children playing with matches, also was brought under control after burning two acres.

Two Portland firms submitted the lowest bids on an eight-ton road roller to be purchased by the county. Six bids were opened this morning by the Jackson county court.

Nelson Equipment company, Portland, bid \$7,103 with a torque drive as designated in the bid specifications. Balzer Machinery company, Portland, bid \$6,725, offering a roller with fluid-drive.

The bids will be studied today and tomorrow before awarding the contract, the court said.

## Pedestrian Struck By Car This Morning

A 71-old pedestrian, Katherine Elizabeth Bossler, 15 South Orange st., was taken to Sacred Heart hospital this morning for treatment of injuries when she was struck by a car, city police reported.

## Local Boys Are Turned Over To Juvenile Office

Two Medford boys were turned over to juvenile authorities today following their arrest Monday on charges of shoplifting, according to city police.

## Israeli Ship Moving Through Suez Canal

Jerusalem, Israel—The Israeli-chartered Danish freighter Brigitte Toft was reported moving through the Suez Canal today.

## Baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE  
New York ..... 0 4 2  
Chicago ..... 4 8 1  
Monsant, Miller (4), Worthington (6), McCormick (8) and Katt, Westrum (8); Drott and Neeman.

## Pair Contemplating Work To Remove Overhanging Rock

Dead Men Carried 50 Feet by Slide  
Battle Ground, Wash.—Two men were swept to their deaths in a huge rock slide early today at the Swift hydroelectric project about 44 miles northeast of here in Skamania county.

Two others were injured. Deputy Coroner Harvey Johnson identified the dead as John N. Luker, 37, Cougar, Wash., and Joe Hutchinson, 45, Portland, Ore. Officials of Pacific Power & Light company in Portland said they understood both were survived by a widow and four children.

Carried 50 Feet  
Officials said the two dead men were carried about 50 feet by the slide which occurred about 12:25 a.m. as they were nearing completion of drilling to blow off some overhanging rock. Luker was a scaler and Hutchinson a driller.

Injured were R. P. Wilford, who suffered a fractured wrist, and Rufus Moore, who had a slight head injury. PP&L officials said that the slide apparently passed the two injured men while those who were killed were carried to the bottom when steel pins holding them were swept away.

Truck Smashed  
The engineer at the dam said about 1,500 tons of large rock were swept down a steep 50-foot bluff. The rock crushed a large dump truck but the driver managed to get clear.

PP&L officials said the four men were anchored on the side of the cut at the time of the accident and that Hutchinson had just started to unbuckle his strap to move away.

Two others working in the area, Louis Maravilla, shift foreman, and Chet Brigner, escaped injury, Johnson said.

## Strike Continues Against Medco; No New Developments

The strike of about 130 woods and railroad employees against the Medford Corporation continued without new developments today.

The strike began Monday, and was called, with members' approval, following failure to agree on wage and other negotiations which have been under way since April. The union is Local 6-221, International Woodworkers of America, AFL-CIO.

The Medco mill is operating with members of a different union, who have passed the picket lines set up by the striking workers. The woods operation and railroad are shut down.

In Medford  
H. E. Geiger, president of Klamath basin district council No. 6, IWA, was in Medford yesterday in connection with the strike. He said the union is seeking a 15 cent per hour wage increase, as well as other benefits, and cited other recent settlements between lumber concerns and unions in British Columbia and elsewhere in the northwest, where wage raises were more generous than the current demand. He said Medco to date has made no offer to the union.

B. L. (Bud) Nutting, Medco manager, earlier stated the company feels that no cost increase is justified in view of the current lumber market slump.

Salem—Jack W. Olds, certified public accountant, has been appointed to the State Board of Accountancy by Gov. Robert D. Holmes.

## Bulganin Seeks Macmillan's Help in Easing Tensions

Sources confirmed that the note was delivered to Macmillan Monday by Soviet Ambassador Jacob Malik. Its emphasis was on disarmament differences, but it also answered questions raised by Macmillan in his letter to Bulganin June 15.

Essential Factor  
Macmillan, in his 3,000-word note to Moscow, said a first stage partial disarmament agreement would be an essential factor in paving the way toward relaxation of East-West tensions.