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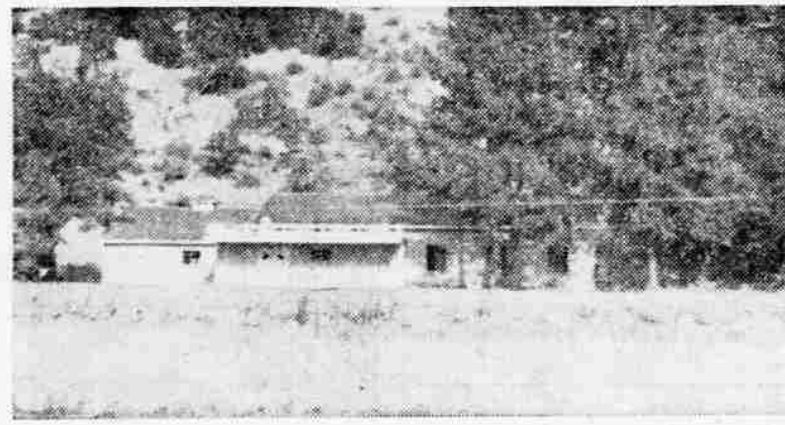
Bond Issue Election Set

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BEFORE FIRE—The original stockade-type Upper Applegate Grange hall is shown above before the fire which destroyed it in September, 1955. The hall was dedicated in 1938, about three years after the Grange was chartered. The original building was near McKee bridge.



NEW BUILDING—The new Upper Applegate Grange hall, shown above, will be dedicated at ceremonies Sunday afternoon. Open house and booster night are scheduled tonight. The new hall is about four miles from Ruch. The site was selected because members believe it is more centrally located.

General Assembly Endorsement of Arms Plan Sought

United Nations, N.Y. — (AP) — The United States and 20 other countries today called for General Assembly endorsement of a disarmament plan based on mutual proposals including a joint study of outer space objects.

The resolution, submitted for consideration in the U.N. Main Political Committee, provides for suspension of nuclear tests, cessation of fissionable production, reduction of stockpiles of weapons, cutbacks in conventional armaments and an air and ground inspection. These steps would be effective when a disarmament agreement comes into force.

The proposal actually repeats the suggestions put before last summer's five-power disarmament talks in London, which ended in failure when Russia rejected the western position.

Thor Missile Tested From Base in Florida

Cape Canaveral, Fla. — (AP) — The Air Force fired its 1,500-mile Thor missile out over the Atlantic today.

The firing, apparently successful, was the latest in a series of tests to determine whether to concentrate U.S. efforts in the intermediate range ballistic missile race on the Army's Jupiter, the Air Force Thor, or a combination of the two.

The Defense Department refused to comment on today's test, except to say that a missile was fired. However, another source in the capital confirmed that the missile was a Thor.

The Thor has been fired successfully only once before today. There were four failures, including one last week in which the Thor exploded on its launch pad.

Weather

FORECAST: Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Shallow fog in lower valleys early Saturday, dissipating by mid-morning. Increasing cloudiness and chance of showers Saturday night. Low tonight 42. High Saturday 68.

Our Skies Tonight

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Venus, the brightest planet, has now moved into the constellation, Scorpio. Tonight and tomorrow night it appears quite near Deneb, one of the three stars forming the front of the Scorpion's head.

Rackets Group Continues Probe of Teamster Records

Washington — (AP) — The Senate Rackets Committee dug deeper today into the records of the Teamster convention that boosted James R. Hoffa to the union presidency. The committee predicted the convention's "scandalous" events will wind up in the courts.

Documents Studied

The committee staff is studying documents it subpoenaed at about the time the Miami Beach, Fla., convention was electing Hoffa president of the union—the nation's largest.

The records were delivered to the committee earlier this week.

New Upper Applegate Grange Hall Will Be Dedicated Sunday

The new Upper Applegate Grange hall will be dedicated at ceremonies at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13. Oregon State Grange Master Elmer McClure will conduct the ceremonies.

Open house in the new hall, located about four miles south of Ruch near the Frank Preston ranch, will be held starting at 8 p.m. today. A booster night program has been scheduled and refreshments will be served.

Both the dedication Sunday

Absence in Medford Schools Slightly More Than Normal

Absence from Medford schools is between 1 and 2 per cent more than average, school officials said today.

They attributed many of the absences to slight colds, and "over-sensitiveness" to the influenza situation. They indicated that many children were kept home because parents appear to be more sensitive about slight colds.

School officials said there were 512 absences reported in Medford schools today, representing 9.2 per cent of the total of 5,554 students. Average attendance is about 92 to 93 per cent, they said.

Greater in High School

Absences are greater at Medford High and McLoughlin Junior High schools. There were 182 absent from Medford High, which is 15 per cent of the total student enrollment of 1,160. McLoughlin Junior High reported 100 absences, or 12 per cent of the total enrollment.

At Hedrick Junior High schools 37 absences, or 7 per cent of the students, were reported. Absences in other schools this morning were: Jackson, 42; Jefferson, 24; Lincoln, 22; Oak Grove, 3; Roosevelt, 49; Washington, 47, and West Side 4.

School officials noted that absences in two schools—Medford High and McLoughlin Junior High—are more than normal at this time of the year, but that in other schools, attendance is good or more than normal.

Absences reported today were fewer than those reported yesterday, they said.

Fish Commission Appointments Told

Salem — (AP) — Appointment of three new members of the Oregon Fish Commission in a reorganization move was announced by Governor Robert D. Holmes today.

The governor said the reorganization was designed to step up the pace of rehabilitating the state's valuable fisheries.

New members are Harold T. Johnson, Astoria; Charles W. Mahaffy, Coos county dairyman, and Omar C. (Slug) Palmer, Portland.

Hotel Lobby Fills With Smoke After Explosion

Lobby of the San Louis hotel, 33 South Front st., was filled with smoke about 2:30 p.m. yesterday when an explosion knocked the pipe off a wood stove.

Firemen said that a hotel room had been cleaned and the debris placed in the stove. Debris apparently included six or more cartridges, they said.

There was no damage other than smoke, according to firemen.

Recruiting Under Way For Labor Conciliator

Salem — (AP) — State Labor Commissioner Norman O. Nilsen announced today the Bureau of Labor is recruiting to fill the newly-established position of labor conciliator.

Inadequate

"Furthermore, we have found several instances where Mr. Dave Beck, the international president, instructed the credentials committee to disregard the Teamsters constitution."

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The vote was 478 in favor and 171 against. The vote by polling places was Gold Hill, 100 yes, 46 no; Sams Valley 34 yes, 12 no; and Central Point 344 yes, 113 no.

Bonds will be used to finance construction of seven general purpose classrooms and an art room. The addition will relieve congestion at Crater High school in Central Point, which has an enrollment of more than 650. Working capacity is considered 500 students.

School Superintendent H. P. Jewett said the school board expects to call for bids for the addition in January. Architects have started work on plans, he added.

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November 5 Is Date For School Election

The Medford school board today called an election for Tuesday, Nov. 5, on a \$1,786,000 bond issue to finance a two-year building program.

The action was taken following a series of meetings to discuss building needs to provide facilities for an anticipated continuous increase in school enrollment. A survey and study of needs was started more than a year ago.

Money from bonds, if they are approved, will be used for additions to present buildings, renovation of present facilities, and construction of two new elementary schools. Bonds would be sold to finance construction and other work only as needed. Mrs. Evelyn Nye, chairman of the board, said.

Largest Enrollment

The board pointed out that Medford High school has the largest enrollment in the school's history. There are 206 students more than the standard rated capacity of the building, and surveys indicate that by next school year there will be 341 students more than the rated capacity.

A large increase in junior high school enrollment is expected next year when the largest fifth and sixth grade classes in the district's history move into junior high grades. Board members noted, however, that most of the increase may be handled if fifth and sixth grade classes now using 10 rooms and other facilities at Hedrick can be moved to another school.

The elementary enrollment exceeds classroom space by 439 students this year if the fifth and sixth grade students were moved from Hedrick facilities, board members pointed out. The shortage of elementary school space is anticipated to increase to 616 by 1962-63.

Increase of 2,240

The board pointed out that since 1947, when there were 3,314 students enrolled in Medford schools, there has been an increase of 2,240 students in 10 years to the present 5,554 pupils.

Based on children now living in the district, enrollment will increase to 6,394 in the next five years, board members said. This does not take into consideration additional children who may move into the district as they have in past years.

For the first time in the district's history, there are more than 500 students enrolled in each grade this year, and there are 278 seniors who are expected to graduate.

The building program includes construction of elementary schools at the Phipps site and on Grand ave., costing \$324,500 each; renovation and addition to Medford High school, costing an estimated \$898,000; addition to West Side school, \$24,000; addition to Roosevelt school, \$22,000; construction of a district bus stop, warehouse and general shop, \$52,000; and renovation at McLoughlin Junior high, \$14,000. Equipment and legal fees will cost an additional \$127,000.

Planned Next Year

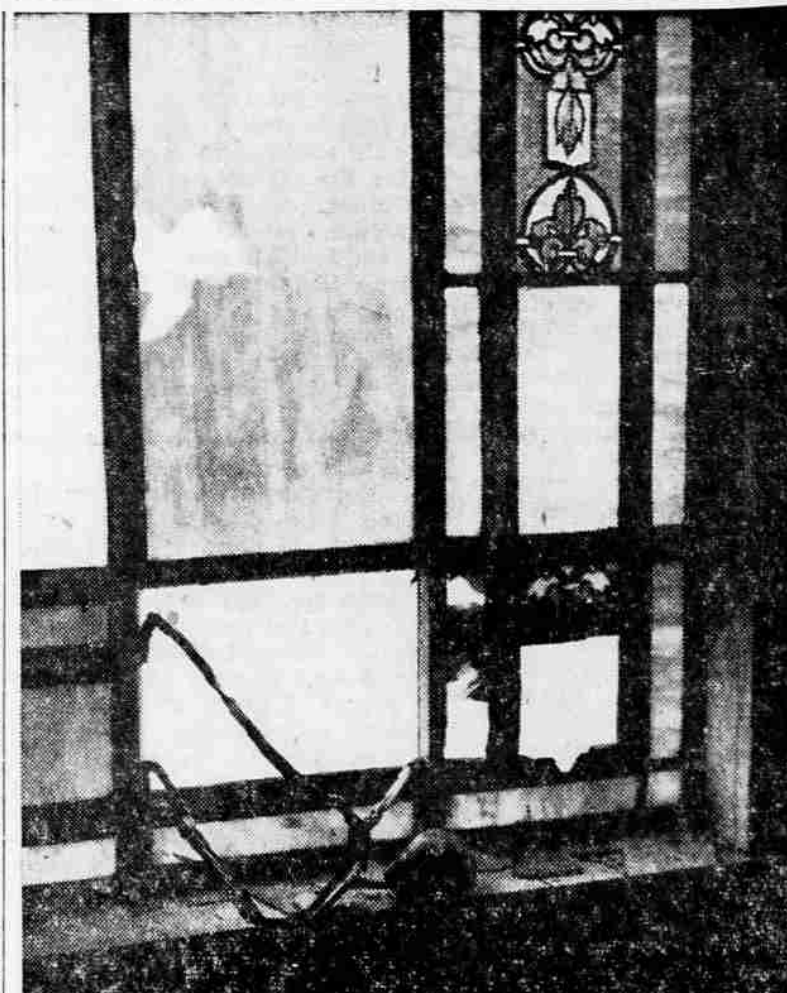
Planned for the 1958-59 school year are elementary schools in the northeast and southeast areas and additions to West Side and Roosevelt schools; renovation of science, shop and homemaking rooms at Medford High, and addition of five or six classrooms; and the district shops.

The board said the financial condition of the district is excellent when compared to other school districts. The valuation of the Medford district is \$34,555,728.22, and the district is bonded only about one-fourth of its limit.

Medford school district has one of the lowest school tax rates in the state, the board added. Architects working on plans have been instructed to design, select and use economical construction material which will result in a low cost building with all non-essentials eliminated.

Board members pointed out that if enrollments do not warrant additional space in the 1959-60 school year, construction would be postponed until it was needed. They stressed that taxpayers would be paying only for those buildings renovated or constructed.

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WINDOWS BROKEN—The picture above shows some of the estimated \$500 damage that was done by vandals to stained glass windows in the IOOF cemetery mausoleum in Medford last night. One of the rocks used to break the panes can be seen on the window sill. Other damage was done to an outbuilding near the mausoleum and a grave marker was removed from the cemetery and placed on the lawn of a residence on Tripp st. According to Sexton Carl S. Hoskins, considerable damage was done about a year ago to the windows in the building. Hoskins added that, beginning today, unauthorized persons trespassing on the cemetery grounds will be placed under arrest.

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Posse Scouring Summer Lake Area For Two Gunmen

Postmaster Beaten; Customers Lined Up

Paisley — (AP) — Some 20 state police and a sheriff's posse of about 100 men searched the rimrock country north of Summer Lake on both sides of Highway 31 today for two gunmen who held up the Paisley post office Thursday and shot and killed the acting town marshal who attempted to stop them.

The car in which the two gunmen and one other who was later captured made their getaway was found abandoned on the highway north of here late Thursday.

John Troy Lawson, 60, who had turned down the paying job of town marshal but still acted as this small community's law officer, was fatally shot when he grabbed his rifle and attempted to arrest the gunmen during their holdup.

Postmaster Beaten

Witnesses said the two gunmen who entered the post office "pistol whipped" the postmaster, Mrs. Anita Bannister, and forced several customers to line up against the wall while they took an undetermined amount of cash. Mrs. Bannister, who apparently suffered only minor injuries, said there was only a small amount of money in the post office.

State police said when Lawson saw what was going on he ran to his car, got his deer rifle and entered the post office. He had just entered the building when one of the gunmen shot him. He died a few minutes later.

Witnesses said one man stayed in the getaway car during the robbery and shooting.

Gunman Shot

One of the gunmen, identified as Donald Ferguson, 32, of Bakersfield, Calif., was shot in the shoulder and captured a short time after the fugitives had abandoned their car. Ferguson was treated at Lakeview hospital where attendants said his condition was good.

Police said Thursday was pay day at the Paisley mill, and inasmuch as there was no bank in the town of 208 persons, the gunmen might have thought a large amount of money would be on deposit at the post office. But there was only a small amount.

The Dalles Youth Killed in Car Crash

The Dalles — (AP) — Kent Bies, 20, The Dalles, was killed about midnight Thursday when his car went off Highway 30 two miles west of here.

Thrown clear of the car but hospitalized with serious injuries was Janet Marie Bonnepre, 18, The Dalles.

State police said Bies, a Union Pacific railroad clerk, apparently went into a curve at a high rate of speed and lost control of his car. The vehicle skidded 335 feet on the pavement, slipped sideways 283 feet, crashed into a cement guard rail and then skidded 167 feet along a four-foot embankment before coming to rest.

One City Hall Walk Scheduled for Good Sweeping Saturday

Sidewalk in front of either the Medford or Central Point city hall will get a good sweeping Saturday.

Mayor John Snider of Medford and Mayor Don Faber of Central Point have made a wager on the Medford-Crater High school football game to be played here tonight. Loser will sweep the sidewalk in front of the city hall in the rival community.

Snider said he has given Faber seven points. He reported that the Central Point official accepted the odds but with considerable reluctance since Faber is confident Crater will win anyway.

Syria Accuses Turkey of New Border Provocations

By UNITED PRESS

Syria disclosed today it had formally accused Turkey of new provocations along the border and of interfering in the internal affairs of Syria.

U.S., Russia Face To Face

It was the latest of a series of moves that has brought the United States and the Soviet Union face to face in the tense Middle East.

The danger of a flare-up in the Middle East led the State Department Thursday to warn Russia that the U.S. will honor its defense commitments to Turkey.

Communist diplomatic sources in London made it clear the Kremlin expects the Middle East to blow up somewhere near the Turkish border, and the sources repeated Moscow's warning that Russia would assist Syria.

Dangerous Skirmish

Both Syria and Soviet Russia have accused Turkey in recent weeks of massing troops near the border, and Monday there was a 45-minute and potentially dangerous border skirmish between Syrian and Turkish troops.