

IKE'S FARM PLAN ASKS LOWER SUPPORTS

Two File for Circuit Judge Posts in Area

Two Jackson county men today announced their candidacies for nomination for circuit judge positions here.

James M. Main, 41, of 543 Haven st., Medford, district court judge, filed for position No. 1, and Circuit Judge Edward C. Kelly, 53, of 906 West Fourth st., Medford, filed for position No. 3.

All three judgeships are for the first judicial district, Jackson and Josephine counties.

Position No. 1 must be filled by a resident of Jackson county, and position No. 3 by a resident of either Jackson or Josephine county. The latter position was created by the legislature at the last regular session. Position No. 2 must be filled by a Josephine county resident. It is now held by Orville Millard, Grants Pass.

Main is seeking the position held for many years by Circuit Judge H. K. Hanna, who has announced he will not seek reelection. Judge Kelly was appointed to the new judgeship, position No. 3, last June.

Main was born in Waterville, Maine, and was graduated from Northwestern college of law in 1949. He was law clerk to James Alger Fee, United States district court judge, from Aug. 7, 1949, to Sept. 2, 1950, when he became affiliated with the Jackson County Title company.

He was associated with the law firm McAllister, Duncan and Brophy from March, 1952, to February, 1953, and was in private practice with Stanley C. Jones, Jr., from 1953 until April 12, 1957, when he was appointed district court judge to succeed the late Rawles Moore.

Committee Member
Main is a member of the legislative interim committee on judicial administration, and is chairman of the trial court procedure subcommittee. He was vice president of the Municipal Judges association while he was Medford Municipal judge between August, 1954, and January, 1957.

Prior to assuming the non-partisan post, Main worked in the Democratic party, and belongs to the Masonic lodge and the Elks club.

Judge Kelly, who was born in Blackfoot, Idaho, started practicing law with his father, the late E. E. Kelly, in 1927. He is a graduate of Medford High school, the University of Oregon and the Oregon law school. He received bachelor of arts and doctor of jurisprudence degrees.



EDWARD C. KELLY Seeks Renomination



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He served in Oregon legislature during the regular and special sessions in 1933, and was connected with the Public Works administration in Washington, D.C., between 1933 and 1935. From 1935 until 1939, he was regional attorney for the PWA in Portland.

In 1940 he became affiliated with the department of justice and was doing interior department work in Alaska, and was assistant general counsel of the Bonneville Power administration in Portland from 1940 until Pearl Harbor.

Kelly returned here in 1942 and has practiced law here since. During World War II, he was captain in the Army serving in the European theater handling civil affairs and military government. In 1942 he ran for congress when the fourth congressional district was organized.

Prior to his appointment on the non-partisan judgeship, he worked in the Democratic party. He was affiliated with the Kelly law firm here before becoming judge. His son, Bernard, and daughter, Noeren, still are practicing law from the firm's office. Another son, James, works at Harry and David's.

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Air Equipment Obsolete in USSR Said Being Bought Conventional Craft Said Being Neglected

Washington—Roy T. Hurley, an airplane engine manufacturer, told Senate investigators today that the Air Force still is buying equipment that was considered obsolete by Russian standards three years ago.

Hurley, president and board chairman of Curtiss-Wright, testified before the Senate preparedness subcommittee in its investigation of this country's defense strength as compared with Russia's.

Another witness was Thomas G. Lanphier Jr., vice president of Convair, an aircraft and missile manufacturer. He said conventional bombers will be needed "for many years to come" but are being neglected because of "over-optimism" about ballistic missiles.

On the other side of Congress, the House Armed Services Committee, conducting a similar defense inquiry, questioned Deputy Defense Secretary Donald A. Quarles behind closed doors.

Quarles told reporters before his committee appearance that the Pentagon is working a lot of "new imaginative" programs for the space age. They include a study of space ships, he said.

Both a high Navy official and Dr. Alan T. Waterman, director of the National Science Foundation, protested meanwhile that the administration had slashed their research fund requests.

Waterman told a House government operations subcommittee that the Budget Bureau cut the foundation's basic research funds by 50 per cent this year and knocked 20 per cent off the amount asked for the next fiscal year.

Assistant Navy Secretary Garrison Norton, in censored testimony released by the Senate preparedness subcommittee, said the Navy didn't get all the research and development funds it should have in the President's 1959 budget.

Teamsters Local Expelled from County Council
The Jackson County Labor Council, "with extreme reluctance," expelled the Teamsters Local 962 "in compliance with its constitution and by-laws and that of the AFL-CIO" at a meeting this week.

DULLES GIVES CONDITION FOR SUMMIT PARLEY WITH RUSSIA

President Feels Up To 3 Remaining Years in Capital

Washington—President Eisenhower has come through the worst of his early winter chores confident he is up to the burdens and the tensions of his three remaining years in the White House.

He would like, however, to get away from the bleak, damp chill of Washington for a few days of sun and golf. He was expected to do this at the first opportunity and not later than some time early next month.

The Chief Executive's three-top priority messages to Congress have been completed. The State of the Union message and the budget have gone to Congress. His annual economic message is finished and will go to the House and Senate Monday.

Storm Sewer Tops Blown Off During Explosion of Gas
An explosion early today in the new Eighth st. storm sewer blew sewer covers off, flipped others like pancakes, broke at least one window and worried many Medford residents.

City officials blamed the blast on an accumulation of domestic gas in the sewer line, which they said apparently was ignited by a passing vehicle or construction warning flare. No injuries were reported.

The blast, which took place about 3:20 a.m., apparently was centered near 10th st., between King and Laurel sts. Following the blast, a series of smaller explosions on 10th and Eighth sts. was reported by city police. Officials said the smaller blasts were most likely caused by sewer covers blowing off from the expanding gas.

Four Blown Off
At least four lids were blown completely off, several others disturbed and others flipped over in mid-air, coming to rest upside down, city police reported. An inspection of the line showed no damage to the new sanitary sewer, officials said. The sewer has not been placed in operation yet, they added.

City firemen, called to the scene, reported no evidence of fire along the explosion route which extended west on West Eighth st., between Hamilton and Lincoln sts. Officials indicated compressed air, rather than gas, caused the sewer covers a distance from the main blast to be disturbed.

Gas company officials reported this morning they started checking all points along the sewer line where the company's line crosses. No leaks were found during this morning's check of several possible points, they said.

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Could Result in 'Fatal Disaster,' Secretary Claims

Washington—Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned today that an improperly prepared summit meeting with Russia, but only on condition it would not intensify the cold war and make more likely that it would turn into a hot war.

In a major foreign policy address, Dulles warned that an improperly prepared summit meeting could result in a "fatal disaster" if people believe that tensions can be removed "by a stroke of a pen at the summit." Such a belief, he said, would be "folly."

Dulles also said that Russia's success in launching an earth-circling satellite may turn out to be a "boomerang" against Soviet Communist party boss Nikita Khrushchev.

Addressing a National Press Club lunch, Dulles said the Red satellite could mark a "decisive turn" in the worldwide struggle between Communist imperialism and the Free World.

"No doubt the Communist rulers gained a success," Dulles said. "They have an opportunity that they have not neglected. But Sputnik mocking the American people with its 'beep-beep' may go down in history as Mr. Khrushchev's boomerang."

"It jolted the American people and produced a reaction which was healthy, the kind of reaction that has, in the past, served freedom well. A wave of mortification, anger and fresh determination swept the country. Out of that mood is coming a more serious appraisal of the struggle in which we are engaged, and an increasing willingness to make the kind of efforts and sacrifices needed to win that struggle."

Dulles, who won a resounding vote of confidence from President Eisenhower Wednesday, devoted most of his speech to the recent exchange of letters between the President and Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin on prospects of a summit conference.

Dulles examined both sides of the problem. He said "there is a place for negotiation" with the Russians—"it would be the height of folly" to say otherwise.

The two major powers, he said, should not be permitted to drift so far apart "that there is increased danger that the cold war will turn into a hot one."

Student Government Day Plans Are Told

Treatment Sought For C. W. Seaver

In a letter to Circuit Court Judge Edward C. Kelly recently from the Oregon state hospital, Salem, the disposition board of the hospital recommended that Charles W. Seaver remain there under hospital care.

Seaver, who was arrested by Federal Bureau of Investigation agents and Medford city police Dec. 5, 1957, on a charge of attempted bank robbery, was ordered to the hospital for a sanity examination.

The 57-year-old man had arrived in Medford shortly before the holdup attempt and had been a former patient in a veterans hospital in Vancouver, Wash.

In the letter to Judge Kelly from Dr. D. A. Tait at the hospital it was reported that Seaver showed gross memory loss, especially for recent events and that he had amnesia for most of the events in the last several years. The letter continued that during his stay in the hospital, Seaver showed little improvement and little return of his memory.

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After nomination and election, students will receive the oath of offices from Medford Mayor John Snider and County Clerk Berth Hopkins the afternoon of Feb. 19.

The annual Student Government Day banquet is scheduled Feb. 19. Other activities include working with counterpart officials Feb. 20 with tours of various city and county facilities that afternoon. A city council meeting, conducted by the student mayor and councilmen, will be held Feb. 20 in the Medford council chambers.

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Ashlund—Work on the Talent project, for which an appropriation of \$9,500,000 has been recommended in the national budget, will reach a peak of employment this summer, according to Walter Hoffbuhr, secretary-manager of the district has announced.

Farm Program Designed To Put Farmer on Own

14-Point Program Would Reduce Role

Washington—President Eisenhower recommended today a farm program designed to take the government increasingly out of agriculture and put the farmer more on his own.

His proposal called for lower price supports on major crops and dairy products, and for increased authority to set acreage allotments for corn, the Midwest big cash crop.

The President's 14-point program, if adopted, would reduce the government's role in agriculture, a step recommended by Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson, and give farmers more freedom to produce.

It is imperative, he said, that Congress draft new policies geared to "the technological revolution in agriculture."

Reduced Federal Aid
It would make farmers more dependent on the open market and less dependent on government payments for their income.

The President said few of the dollars spent on agricultural programs have been of appreciable help to the small farmer.

"Price supports have scant meaning to a farmer with little to sell, he said.

"Basic agricultural legislation now on the books was originally devised as an emergency effort to cope with a depression, then changed to help fight a war, and subsequently revised again in an effort to meet the needs of peace," Eisenhower said. "It has not been adequately modified to deal with the effects of the technological revolution in agriculture."

"This must be done now," Eisenhower urged Congress to widen the price support range on the basic crops of corn, cotton, wheat, rice, peanuts, and tobacco, and dairy products from 75 to 90 per cent of parity to 60 to 90 per cent of parity. (Parity is the price needed to give farmers a fair return for the things they sell in relation to the cost of things they must buy).

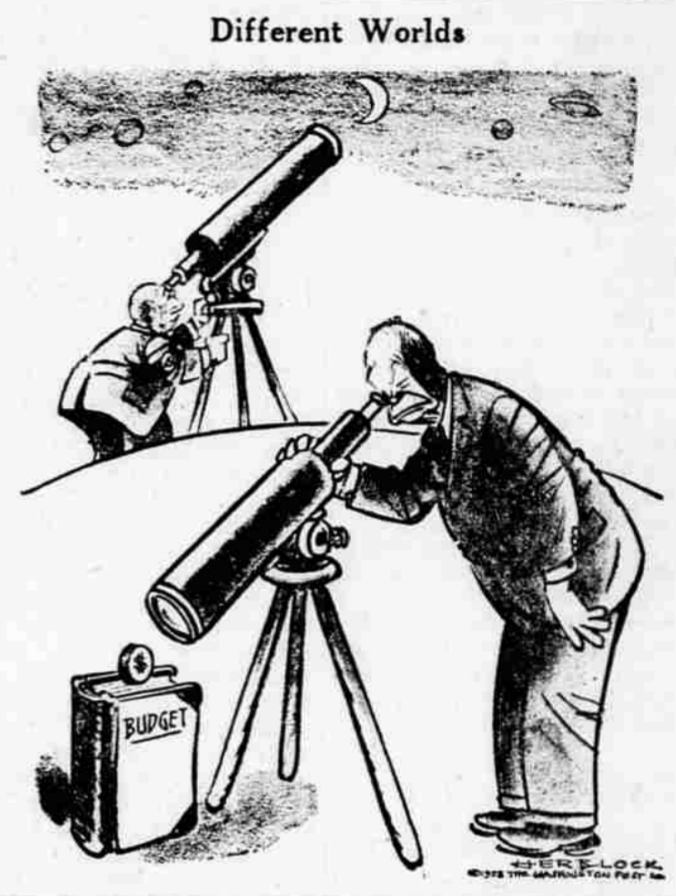
Lower Dairy Supports
He suggested that Congress permit the support rates to be set administratively, by the agriculture secretary. He said the secretary would offer supports on the basic crops "at levels as high as could be justified under the criteria specified by law."

The inclusion of lower supports for dairy products was something of a surprise.

Benson recently announced that the dairy rates for the dairy marketing year beginning in April would be at 75 per cent of parity. The announcement caused considerable agitation in Congress and among dairy groups.

Eisenhower asked for authority to increase acreage allotments for cotton, wheat, rice, peanuts and tobacco. Under the proposal, acreage allotments for these crops could be increased up to 50 per cent above the levels determined by existing formulas.

He also called for a strengthened conservation reserve program of the soil bank, and elimination of the acreage reserve program. The President had called for this in his 1959 budget message.



Different Worlds

Normal Rainfall Is Seen Next 30 Days

Near or slightly above normal temperatures are anticipated in southwestern Oregon and northern California from now until the middle of next month, according to the 30-day outlook of the weather bureau.

The mid-January to mid-February outlook also is for normal precipitation.

Medford station of the weather bureau reported that normal high temperatures for the period are 45 degrees and normal lows 30. Normal precipitation is 2.5 inches.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

New York — Dow-Jones final stock averages: 30 industrials 445.23, up 0.03; 20 railroads 104.13, up 1.12; 15 utilities 71.36, unchanged, and 65 stocks 150.82, up 0.31. Sales today were about 3,950,000 shares compared with 2,080,000 shares Wednesday.

New Ranger District Is Created in Rogue Forest

A new Ranger district with headquarters at Prospect has been established in the Rogue River National forest. Supervisor Carroll E. Brown announced today.

Construction Plans

Plans call for construction of necessary buildings just north of Prospect inside the national forest boundaries, Brown said. Until the facilities are ready, temporary housing and office space will be provided from rentals and use of trailers as needed.

Personnel for the new district will be selected early in February, Brown said. The new district will enable the forest service to provide more timber sales in this area to maintain the allowable annual cut and provide more service to the public in recreational uses and other activities.

The district is a combination of part of the Union Creek district and the northern section of the Butte Falls district.

WEATHER

FORECAST: Low overcast or fog in valleys tonight. Otherwise variable cloudiness through Friday with a few light showers likely Friday. Low tonight 40. High Friday 48. Low this morning 46. Prec. to 4 a.m. Today .04

Our Skies Tonight
Sunrise 7:38 a.m. Sunset 5:03 p.m. The Moon rises Friday and rises low. New Moon BRIGHTEST STAR Sirius, rises 6:37 p.m. VISIBLE PLANETS Venus, sets 6:26 p.m. Jupiter, rises 6:21 p.m. Mars, rises 5:32 a.m. Saturn, between Mars and the Moon.