

# Meter Relocation Approved by Council

A recommendation to establish bumper-to-bumper parking and relocate parking meters on Main and Eighth sts., presented by City Manager Robert A. Duff, was approved by the Medford city council Thursday.

Duff described bumper-to-bumper parking as pairs of 18-foot spaces in which two cars would park close together with an eight-foot maneuvering space ahead of each pair. He said it would cause less traffic delay from motorists attempting to park.

Relocation of meters on Main and Eighth sts., he said, is necessary for inauguration of one-way traffic on the streets, tentatively set for August 10; and parking meters were presently located too close to intersections, in violation of Oregon statute. The city was thus vulnerable to damage claims in case impaired views caused by cars parked at these meters contributed to accidents.

**Offset by Eighth St.**  
Duff assured the council that any apparent loss of parking space created by the changes would be more than offset by additional space on Eighth st.

He recommended that relocation of meters be accomplished immediately on the north side of Main st. and the south side of Eighth st. and after one-way traffic starts on the other sides of the two streets.

Action to gain Medford a new rating for insurance purposes was initiated when the council authorized Duff to ask the Oregon Insurance Rating bureau to regrade the city.

Duff estimated it might be six months before a survey team would appear, however.

**Rating Established**  
In his report to the council, Duff stated that the last survey was conducted in the

early 1930's, at which time a Class 5 rating was established. He added that while the city's rapid postwar growth had taxed capacities of the fire and water departments temporarily, he believed they could now receive good ratings.

The council also adopted an ordinance rezoning certain property on East Ninth st. between Cottage st. and Portland ave. from class 1B, single and two family, to class II, multiple family.

It approved budget item transfers totaling \$2,295.14 for the 1957-58 year.

**Seek Permit**  
The council authorized the mayor to request from the state highway commission a permit to construct a sanitary sewer line within and across the Crater Lake highway right of way. The line would be a portion of the Kenwood-Grandview sewer system.

It approved a correction deed by which the city released to the state a strip of land 2.85 feet by 55.7 feet in the South Sea addition which had been omitted in error in a previous transaction.

It approved bidder's pre-qualifications from six contractors for bidding on municipal projects. They included two Medford firms, Trowbridge and Flynn Electric company and M. C. Lininger and Sons.

**Search for Plane on Coast Called Off**

Taft, Ore. — (UPI) — The search for signs of a downed plane off the Oregon coast near here was called off Friday afternoon, 13th District Coast Guard headquarters in Seattle said.

Residents in the area had reported that a jet aircraft was believed seen crashing late Thursday.



**KILLER'S MOTHER**—A hysterical Mrs. Adrienne Mitchell is led from her house in Pawtucket, R. I., after watching her son, Robert Genereux, shoot down two policemen in a wild gun battle.

# Active Competition for Timber Distinguishes Sales in June

Optimism in the future of the lumber market and active competition for timber stumpage have distinguished bidding on 22 sales of Rogue River National Forest timber during the month of June, according to C. E. Brown, forest supervisor.

A total of 64,160,000 board feet of timber were included in the sales. Total bid price of the June sales was about \$1,959,000.00. The total bid price is 92 per cent above the forest service appraised price of \$1,019,500 for the timber.

The prices include \$97,641 in required deposits for paying the cost of slash disposal and \$101,973 for use by the forest service in reforesting the cut over areas.

**Remaining Stumpage**  
The remaining \$1,759,386 of stumpage will be deposited into the federal treasury as the timber is cut. Twenty five per cent of the stumpage receipts are then distributed through the state to the counties in which the national forest is located in proportion to the acreage in each county.

Two thirds of the volume and value was in three large sales. The largest, the Hurray-on creek timber sale of 20 million board feet in the Union Creek Ranger district was bid in by Ross Lumber company, White City, at an oral auction June 27.

Competition for this timber was extreme. A total of 313 oral bids were recorded. Bidding started at 3 p.m. and continued without recess until 7:45 p.m.

**Other Bidders**  
Steve O. Wilson was next high bidder and other bidders were Oregon Veneer company, Southern Oregon Plywoods and Kogap Manufacturing company.

Ross's high bid was \$44 per M on 13,500 M of Douglas fir; \$54.05 per M on 2,400 M of pine species; and \$16 per M on 4,100 M of white fir, for a total value of \$789,320. This contrasts with the advertised

minimum acceptable bid total of \$343,960.

Wilson was high bidder on June 30 for an estimated 11,000 M board feet in the Blue Rock unit on Butte Falls District. Ross Lumber company was runner up in this case. Wilson's high bid was \$28 per M for all species. Shasta red fir is the principal species in this sale. Other bidders were Eugene Burrill, Paul Workman, Kogap Manufacturing company, and Timber Conservation company.

Double Dee Lumber company was high bidder June 27 for the 14,600 M board feet in the Sturgis Fork Chance on the Applegate District. The bid total was \$275,800 as contrasted with forest service appraised total of \$261,900. Kogap Manufacturing company was runner up. Bate Lumber company of Merlin also bid.

**King Bids High**  
Austin King of Medford was high bidder June 30 for 4,300 M of Douglas-fir and pine in the Woodruff Burn

area of the Union Creek District. Skeeters and Skeeters were next high. Four other operators also bid on this patch.

Other purchases of the more recent sales are: Elder Logging company with Kogap Manufacturing company as runner up for Paradise No. 3, 1,095 M board feet in the Ashland District.

C. M. and D. Logging company with Skeeters and Skeeters as runner up for 1,000 M board feet in the Nye Ditch Chance, Prospect Ranger District.

Gordon Pickell with Kogap Manufacturing company as runner up for 1,550 M board feet in Ashland District.

**Applegate Area**  
Mountain Fir Lumber company of Independence and Murphy bid in Yewwood (3,550 M) and Carberry No. 1 (1,450 M board feet) on Applegate Ranger District. Next high bidders were Paul Workman and Earl Manley. Skeeters and Skeeters were

# 42 Cases of Disease Reported Last Week

Forty-two cases of communicable diseases were reported to the Jackson County Health department during the week ending July 3, according to Dr. A. Erin Merkel, public health physician.

Of these, mumps led the list with 18 cases, 13 in Medford, two each in Ashland and Talent, and one in Gold Hill.

Other diseases reported were chicken pox, Ashland 6; pneumonia, Ashland 2; German measles, Ashland 4; Medford 3; trench mouth, Medford 1; pink eye, Medford 1; whooping cough Medford 1; Central Point 1; and influenza, Ashland 3, Medford 2.

high for the 2,400 in the McCall Creek sale on Prospect District. Southern Oregon Plywoods of Grants Pass was runner up.

Smaller sales during the month went to G&R Logging company, A&H Logging company, Richard Klimek, Anthony Klimek, Jim Vanderlip, Joe Oliver, Lloyd Oliver, Cliff Green and Guy Warren.

**PLOT BACKFIRED**  
Hartford, Conn. — (UPI) — Police said burglars set fire to the Better Brands Co. office to cover up the fact there had been a break. The fire brought firemen, who called police, who discovered the break immediately.

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# Kerby Man Named Council Secretary

Cave Junction — The local chapter of the Western Mining Council held its regular meeting last week at the American Legion hall with Vice-President Elwood Hussey presiding.

Ed Cook of Kerby was named council secretary.

A discussion of the world problem of the gold standard carried most of the evening. The group present favored raising the price of gold. Such a plan is to be submitted to the national chapter for approval.

Melvin L. Brown of Peridotite Metals Ltd., of Carson City, Nev., gave a report on solid additives, through low grade minerals in placer soils. He stated his company is still testing in their research

work and cannot give any exact figures. The local plant where research and testing are being carried on in the valley is located near O'Brien.

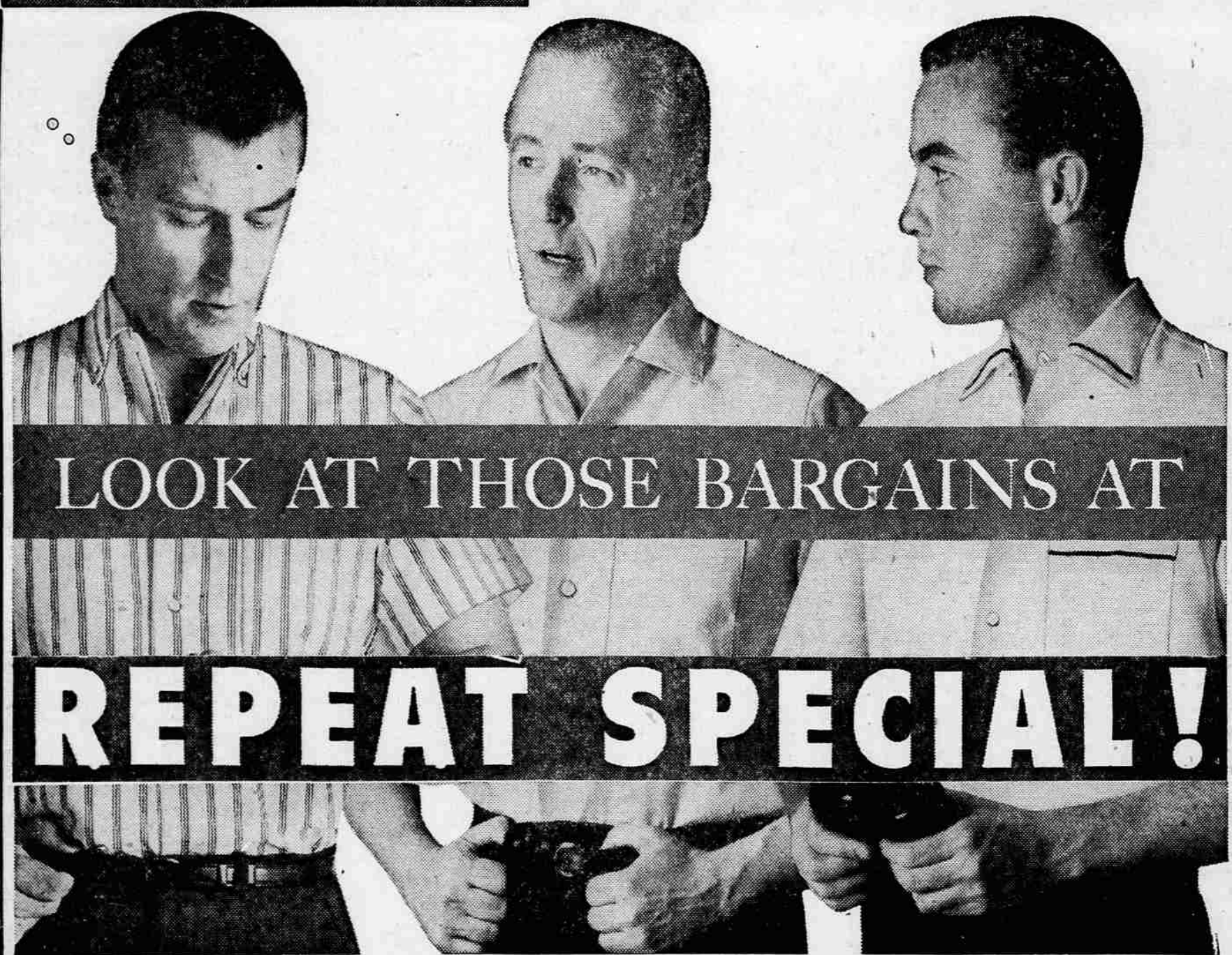
# Wax Bean Harvest Start Early This Week

Stayton — (UPI) — Harvesting of the first wax beans of the season is taking place in the Stayton area and processing is scheduled to be underway early this week, according to the Stayton Canning company.

Pie cherries, boysenberries and raspberries are currently being processed at the plant. The last of the strawberry crop was received at the local plant last Wednesday.

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