

Duff Discusses Coming Election, Assessment Plan

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Actually, the downtown parking district is guaranteeing the payments by annual assessments for property in the parking district, but the measure will still carry the full faith and credit of the city.

During 1957, parking meter revenues in certain areas rose by increasing the hours of meter time and by increasing the meter rate on selected meters. This action increased parking meter revenue approximately \$15,000 annually, which will almost equal the 25 per cent of parking meter monies mentioned in the proposed amendment. No increase in the tax levy is contemplated.

Public Hearing
No bonds may be sold until after the parking district is established following public hearings.

Reference has been made to a \$50,000 item in the 1957-58 budget for off-street parking. This was an amount established in the budget to be offset by anticipated additional revenue of an equal amount. However, only a small portion of the anticipated revenue was received, and this was placed into the general fund. No expenditures for off-street parking were made in the 1957-58 budget.

Matter Of Opinion
A question has been posed as to the need of holding the special election prior to the formation of the downtown assessment district. This is purely a matter of opinion. The City Council is of the opinion that the prior approval of the Charter Amendment by the general electorate is both prudent and necessary. With-

out voter approval the mechanics of establishing the district and other costly legal procedures would be wasteful.

These are the facts in the matter. Further action is up to the voters at the polls, Wednesday, December 10. Voter approval is necessary if the balance of the capital improvement program is to be carried out.

Oregon Sheriffs Favor Increasing Auto License Fee

Portland—UPI—The Oregon State Sheriff's association went on record yesterday with a proposal to add \$1 a year to the motor vehicle license fee.

The added cost is proposed to finance sheriff's patrols on roads not covered by state police.

The proposal was presented by Sen. Carl Francis, Yamhill county, who said he would introduce appropriate legislation at the 1959 Legislature.

Bill For Bureau
Also approved was a plan introduced by Francis to re-submit a bill passed by the 1957 Legislature and vetoed by Gov. Robert D. Holmes for establishment of a central criminal identification bureau under the state police.

The sheriff's approved a resolution introduced by Sheriff Edward W. Elder of Lane county to support a work-release type legislation for all county prisoners.

Regular Jobs
The resolution, approved by a 10-4 vote, would allow prisoners to attend regular jobs and return within the sheriff's discretion.

The resolution noted that "welfare rolls in most counties are burdened with families of jail inmates."

PRIVILEGED SANCTUARY
Montgomery, Ala.—UPI—Four cows bound for the stockyards leaped from a truck and hid in the First Presbyterian church.

Ike May Ask Increased Taxes

New York—UPI—The administration's top budget official hinted yesterday that President Eisenhower may ask for higher taxes if the new Congress thwarts his efforts to hold down federal spending.

Budget Director Maurice H. Stans said the President will send the heavily-Democratic new Congress a budget for fiscal year 1960 as tight as the law allows.

Then, Stans said, the choice is up to the American people. If they demand—and Congress votes—more spending than tax revenues can cover, thereby unbalancing the budget, "the government should spell out what new taxes must be raised."

In a speech prepared for Dean's Day ceremonies at New York university, Stans said "it is time for realism in government finances—in the federal budget."

Couple Charged With Stealing Papers in Salem

Salem—UPI—Thefts of bundles of Capital Journal and Oregon Statesman newspapers here has led to the arrest of a Salem couple on larceny charges.

Hundreds of copies of the papers along with copies of the Portland Oregonian were taken.

City police arrested Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dee Newton Friday and found 744 copies of the Statesman and 105 copies of the Oregonian in their car.

The Newtons pleaded innocent and posted \$50 bail each. Marion County District Judge E. O. Stadler Jr., set trial for Jan. 5.

The thefts occurred on days when food advertising included coupons redeemable at stores for from 5 to 20 cents.

Charles A. Sprague, president of the Statesman-Journal Newspapers, Inc., said most of the victims of the thefts were newspaper boys.

The shoe industry in the U.S. consumed 80 millions pounds of cotton in 1957.

Medford Juniors Being Considered In AFS Program

Five Medford high school juniors are being considered for study abroad under the American Field Service exchange program, according to Mrs. H. D. Christensen, chairman of the Medford AFS committee.

Two foreign students currently studying at Medford high under the program are to be available for speaking engagements after Jan. 1, Mrs. Christensen announced.

Four of the five Medford juniors are to be given final screening at the AFS office in New York in connection with the organization's summer exchange program. One will eventually be selected, Mrs. Christensen said.

The four are Elaine Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jennings, 1605 Ridge way; Lucille Lowry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lowry, Talent; John Frohnmayer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Frohnmayer, 1656 Spring st.; and Carolyn Mencke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Mencke, 2141 East Jackson st.

A fifth Medford student is being entered in a national competition for the chance to attend school for five months in New Zealand. He is Mike Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gardner, 818 Front st.

The two foreign students in Medford this year are Miss Sissel Frogner of Norway, residing with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Williams, 116 Black Oak dr., and Antonio (Tom) Tittel of Portugal, residing with Dr. and Mrs. Brandt Bartels, 35 Valley View dr. They are sponsored by the Medford Rotary club and Crater Lions club.

GENEROUS PUMPS
Waterbury, Conn. — (UPI)—A check of 175 gas pumps at service stations here disclosed that 25 of them were giving customers more gasoline than showed on the meters.

WINNING STREAK
Montgomery, Ala.—UPI—No woman running for state-wide office in Alabama has ever been defeated by a male candidate.

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