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Study Planned On Pollution

City-State Study Said Possibility For Medford Area

Nuisance Condition Now Exists in City

Medford may undertake a joint city-state study of local air conditions as the result of a recent report from the Oregon State Air Pollution authority, according to Mayor John W. Snider.

"It cannot be concluded at this time that an area-wide air pollution exists in the city," the report states, "but the sample data indicates the presence of local nuisance conditions. Additional sampling and field surveys are required to further evaluate the area conditions."

Danger Signal Indicated

"I think," Mayor Snider said today, "if there is a danger ahead with it (the additional study), I am certain we will go ahead with it."

He said he plans to read the state authority's report, a letter dated Dec. 11, to the city council at its Thursday night meeting this week. He added that he considers it an administrative matter, with further action the responsibility of City Manager Robert A. Duff.

Duff is expected to return here Wednesday from a vacation. "The participation of the city in a joint program," the letter states, "would require the assignment of a man part time to service sampling stations and make field surveys. The authority would provide sampling equipment, analyses of samples, and train the local man."

The state collected air samples here during the week of Oct. 2-8, with one sampling device atop city hall and the second at six other sampling stations, according to the report.

Results Given

"The results of the sample data collected from the station on the city hall," the report states, "showed that four of the 11 high volume filter samples collected for suspended particulate matter exceeded the allowable value as defined by the Air Pollution Authority Regulations (150 micrograms per cubic meter plus background)."

"The highest value of suspended particulate matter was 262. Nuisance conditions begin to appear at about 200 micrograms per cubic meter for residential and commercial land use."

All six fallout samples collected from the city hall station exceeded the Air Pollution Authority regulations (15 tons per square mile per month plus 5 for background). The highest value was 36 tons per square mile per month.

Ceiling Burns In Medford Home

Ceiling and attic at the home of Stanley Shafer, 410 Clover Lane, caught fire, about 6 p.m. yesterday, city firemen said.

They reported that wiring of a kitchen exhaust fan shorted, causing the fire. Considerable smoke damage resulted.

Berlin — East German Communist Party Boss Walter Ulbricht hinted today that Red troops would invade West Berlin if any attempt is made by the West to break a Berlin blockade.

Million Dollar Work Set At SOC

Asland—Building construction totalling over \$1 million in cost is planned for next year at Southern Oregon college and enrollment there is expected to climb to between 1,400 and 1,600 by the 1960-61 term, President Elmo N. Stevenson told a group of southern Oregon legislators last week.

"Southern Oregon college had the largest percentage of enrollment increase of any state system of higher education this fall," Dr. Stevenson told the group at the Friday meeting at the college. A \$600,000 fund for construction of a social science building on the site behind the Asland General hospital will be requested from the new state legislature by the state board of higher education, it was disclosed. Construction of another women's dormitory costing \$500,000 is planned for next summer, Dr. Stevenson said.

Pope Creates New Cardinals; Raps Red China

Vatican City—Pope John XXIII formally created 23 new cardinals of the Roman Catholic church today and denounced the "violent persecution" of the churches in Communist China.

Among the new cardinals were Archbishop Richard Cushing of Boston, Archbishop John O'Hara of Philadelphia and Apostolic delegate to the United States Amleto Giovanni Cicognani.

The 77-year-old pontiff, in a Latin language address in which he formally asked cardinals of previous creation for their approval of his new choices, concentrated on the plight of Christians in Communist China where "a deep silence grows deeper every day."

He referred to "atrocious sufferings," suffered by the faithful in "many countries" but he particularly stressed Red China.

"We desire, therefore, in so far as we can, to assure those our sons that we share in their deep anguish as if it were our own, that we daily raise our suppliant prayer to God for them," he said.

Arrested On Charge Of Grand Larceny

Harry Alexander Helmick, 34, of 822 Cedar st., was arrested here Saturday on a district court warrant charging grand larceny and bail was set at \$2,500, Medford police reported.

He was lodged in Jackson county jail.

Supreme Court Favors Negro in Tennessee Suit

Washington—The Supreme Court ruled today that a Memphis Negro who challenged Tennessee bus and streetcar segregation laws must be given his day in court.

Panel Overruled

The tribunal overruled a special three-judge panel which had dismissed the suit of P. Z. Evers, a postal clerk. The Supreme court, in an unsigned opinion, ordered that Evers be allowed a trial in the case.

Evers brought suit against Memphis city officials, the City Transit company and one of its employees, presumably the bus driver.

In other actions today, the court: —Reversed the congressional contempt conviction of Abram Flaxer, one-time head of the defunct United Public



MILDRED A. GAIL Gets Rotary Fellowship

Gold Hill Girl Gets Fellowship To Study Russian

Gold Hill—Miss Mildred A. Gail, senior in the Far East department, University of Washington, Seattle, has been chosen as a Rotary fellow from Oregon for study abroad. She is the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Norman Gail, Gold Hill.

The Rotary Foundation fellowship will enable her to study one year at the National School of Living Oriental Language in Paris, France, beginning the first term in the fall of 1959. The school is considered one of the world's best for study of the Russian language.

Miss Gail was recommended by the Grants Pass Rotary club.

Rotary International fellowships are sponsored in order that outstanding graduate students may further their education in countries other than their own with the purpose of promoting better understanding between countries in every part of the world.

Recently Miss Gail was elected to the national scholastic honor society, Phi Beta Kappa, and was presented a cash prize at the 22nd annual scholarship banquet of the fraternity on the University of Washington campus. She was one of 58 outstanding students to be honored. She was named as one of two, in a class of almost 5,000 seniors, as having the highest grade point average based on the first three years of study. Miss Gail was also named the outstanding senior in the Far East department.

Set Liquor Charges Against Youths

Four Central Point youths were arrested by Jacksonville city police Sunday evening on charges of illegal possession of intoxicating liquor.

Gale Jones and Marion Lucy McDonald, both 19, and a 15-year-old boy, appeared in district court this morning and pleaded guilty to the charge. The four youths is scheduled to appear Tuesday.

Jones was fined \$55 and sentenced to six months in the county jail to be suspended on condition he refrain from drinking intoxicating liquor. McDonald was fined \$30 and the 15-year-old boy is scheduled to appear with his parents in court Tuesday.

College Leader

Miss Gail is a member of Mortar Board, women's honorary leadership society; secretary of the Young Women's Christian association; chairman for the Cosmopolitan club; committee member of Blaine Hall dormitory, and a member of the French Drama club and Sigma Epsilon Sigma at the University of Washington.

She has been a typist for the Russian file at the University of Washington library. Miss Gail is proficient in Russian and French, and has also studied Spanish.

She is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Wilson, 7 Chestnut street, Medford, and Charles Gail, Wimer.

Washington—Liberal Democrats claimed today that speaker Sam Rayburn is giving serious thought to the probability that conservatives would seize control of legislation in the new congress unless their powers in the House Rules Committee is curbed.

Upholds Color Ban

Upheld a federal food and drug administration order prohibiting Florida and Texas growers from coloring oranges with "red 32"—a coal tar dye which the government claims is poisonous.

—Decided that National Labor Relations board rulings that determine which employees are to be included in a collective bargaining unit can be appealed to the courts. The NLRB had opposed the action.

Higher Education Board Approves Building Program

Portland—The building committee of the State Board of Higher Education tentatively approved today a \$4,780,000 building program for student centers and health services on six campuses.

To Borrow Money

The Board, last October, approved a plan to borrow \$4,460,000 to build dormitory and housing projects during the next biennium. It was indicated the money for projects tentatively approved today also would be borrowed.

Financing of the dormitory and student center projects will be from student fees. The Board now has \$190,000 in this fund and would issue bonds to raise additional money. No tax money would be used.

Chancellor John R. Richards told the Board today that it could issue the bonds without legislative action, because the over-all sum of more than \$9 million falls within the \$15,350,000 statutory limitation fixed by the Legislature. Largest projects planned in

Zoning Talk Set For Ninth Street

The Medford planning commission is scheduled to meet at 7:30 tonight at city hall. A quorum of four members is expected.

The meeting was originally scheduled for last Monday, but a quorum could not be obtained at that time.

City Attorney E. Roy Bashaw may present to the planners the matter of a zoning variance for the 825 East Ninth st. eight-unit apartment building. If it is presented, the planners could call for a public hearing at their next meeting.

This is the site where an alleged violation of the side lot setback requirements by the contractor, aggravated by apparent negligence on the part of city building inspectors, caused city officials something of a dilemma last fall. Action against the violation was instituted in municipal court, but the case has not been tried pending a possible out-of-court settlement.

Pleds Guilty To Theft Charges

Joseph Ulrich Dieringer, 520 North Front st., entered a plea of guilty to a charge of petty larceny in district court Friday afternoon. He was fined \$100 by District Court Judge Pro Tem A. E. Piazza on the recommendation that the fine be suspended if the defendant enter a Veterans Administration hospital for examination.

Also appearing in district court were John Kenneth Colwell, Merrill, Ore., who was bound over to the grand jury on a charge of non-support. Bail was set at \$1,500.

The case of Travis Edward Moore, 2060 Table Rock rd., charged with parole violation, was continued until Dec. 19 at 9:30 a.m. He is represented by O. H. Bengtson, Medford attorney.

Festival Workers Given \$100 Check

Asland—New total reported by the Asland division of the Shakespearean Festival fund drive is \$69,519.84, it was reported during the final fund meeting this noon.

The Asland goal was \$50,000 and the total Festival fund goal \$275,000. The goal total is just enough to meet emergency needs, a spokesman explained. The final Medford division report meeting will be held Thursday noon at the Red Cross building.

Hugh Coleman, representing the Medford division, presented the Asland fund division workers \$100 since the Asland workers went over their goal first. He is also that what appeared to be a dish of "broiled crow."

Geneva—The West today turned down Russia's latest ground and aerial inspection proposals to the Surprise Attack Conference as a political booby-trap largely outside the talks.

"He Asked, 'How About A Free Country?'"



National Guard Alert Termed Big Success

Approximately 90 men of the two local National Guard companies participated in the statewide test alert Sunday, it was reported.

The test alert was part of a surprise mobilization of Air National Guard and National Guard. Both state and local officers called it a "very great success."

The test alert was called at 4:11 a.m. Sunday for the 4,852 Oregon National Guardsmen and the 1,238 Air National Guardsmen. Word of the alert was passed through various channels and within four hours all units were reported ready for action.

Capt. S. P. Fagone, commanding officer of headquarters and Headquarters Company First Battalion, 186th Infantry was alerted by phone at 4:35 a.m. By 4:45 a.m. both headquarters company and Company A, 18th Infantry had enough men to establish a guard detail in the armory area, Captain Fagone said.

All communication means were mobilized, it was reported. This included Medford city police, state police and the Jackson county sheriff's office. All platoon leaders and sergeants were notified by phone.

Within the first hour the motor section was dispatching vehicles, the cooks planning breakfast and the office personnel were busy preparing a guard roster and detail roster for administrative duties. The communications platoon had normal radio and telephone networks operating. The pioneer and ammunition platoon was standing by for action. End of the alert came at 8:35 a.m., it was reported.

Brig. Gen. Alfred E. Hintz, commander of the Oregon part of the 41st Infantry division and Col. W. E. Timm, commander of the Oregon Air National Guard were the first to receive the alert Sunday.

Four hours later, 4,852 of officers and men under Gen. Hintz's command had reported in battle gear at their

Admits Safe Theft From Local Office

A 20 or 21-year-old man arrested Saturday in Springfield on another burglary charge has admitted the theft last Thursday of a safe from the International Harvester company office here, Medford police reported today.

Detective Lt. Lyle Perkins reported the man's name as Jim Head, and added that he is reportedly an armed forces deserter.

Jackson County Sheriff-elect Joe Walsh and Medford Detective Dean Ashbire are going to Springfield to investigate the man's story further, Lt. Perkins said. He said a search for the missing safe would be conducted here in the meantime.

A total of \$60 in cash, \$320 in checks, and records and numerous keys were reportedly taken from the safe.

Washington—President Eisenhower and GOP congressional leaders opened a day-long discussion today of the administration's big legislative package for the 1959 session of Congress.

Mountain Area Residents Told To Leave Homes

Valuable Watershed Brushland Consumed

San Juan Capistrano, Calif. —Turbulent 30-40 mile an hour winds whipped a roaring brush fire toward a canyon dotted with several hundred homes today after leaping over a state highway in Cleveland National Forest.

Mountain cabin residents in the isolated area were ordered to evacuate as were caretakers of a Methodist boys summer camp at San Juan Hot Springs a dozen miles northeast of here.

Elmer Osterman, fire coordinator for the California Forestry Service, said some 20,000 acres of valuable watershed brushland had been burned, 90 per cent of it open land.

"We have a very hot spot burning on a three-mile front that leaped over Ortega Highway and is heading in the general direction of Trabuco Canyon five miles away," Osterman said. He estimated there were 200 to 300 homes in the canyon just outside the forest.

Quick Control Unlikely

Another hot spot was near the tri-county juncture of Riverside, Orange and San Diego counties, Osterman said. Osterman said the fire fighters were not too optimistic about control of the blaze and containment "certainly could not come before Tuesday" because of the unpredictable winds that whipped spot fires ahead of the fire line.

The blaze was concentrated mostly in uninhabited areas, so rugged with dipping canyons and steep mountains that equipment could not get too close.

About 1,100 men from throughout the state manned the firelines with 70 fire trucks and 15 bulldozers as they attempted to cut off the racing flames.

Some Ranches Threatened

Eight planes were expected to dump borate-water solution on the flames before the end of the day, Osterman said.

The fire started at the Stewart ranch in the forest Sunday and swept westward and to the northwest burning isolated cabins in its path. Also threatened were scattered ranches. Cause of the fire was unknown.

The San Juan Capistrano Hospital on the outskirts of this historic town appeared threatened for a while during the night but shifting winds ended the menace.

The E. Toro Marine Air Base would be in the path if the flames managed to burn through Trabuco Canyon, a half dozen miles from the base and about 40 miles from Los Angeles.

Private Airplane Demolished in Crash

Woonsocket, R.I.—A disabled private plane with seven persons aboard crashed in a snowstorm today five miles southwest of here.

An Army helicopter said the plane was "demolished." The fate of the passengers was not known immediately.

The plane carried a pilot, copilot and five business executives headed for new jobs in Gloucester, Mass.

Ike Seeking Balanced Budget Next Fiscal Year

Washington—Senate Republican leaders were told today that President Eisenhower is shooting for a balanced budget in the next fiscal year, but that it may run a little higher than this year's \$79,200,000,000.

No Figures Available

Sen. Styles Bridges (R-NH), chairman of the GOP Policy Committee, announced during a day-long White House legislative conference that no "overall figure" is yet available on the new budget.

But he said Eisenhower is "aiming toward as close to a balanced budget as possible." His personal opinion, Bridges said, is that the President "will submit a balanced budget."

Bridges and other GOP leaders said no final total for defense spending has been agreed upon. Bridges thought it would be "somewhere around" the \$40,800,000,000 for the current fiscal year.

Speaking of the balanced budget generally, Bridges said that "anything else it will be on the shoulders of the wild spenders in Congress—and there are plenty of them."

Martin Sees \$80 Billion House Republican leader Joseph W. Martin Jr. (Mass.) said the new budget "won't be too far from \$80 billion." He added that "we'll be fortunate to keep it at \$80 billion after it gets through Congress."

Bridges and Martin said there was no chance of a tax cut.

Medford Stores Will Be Open Until 9 O'Clock Tonight