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Labor Press Seeks Boycott Of Fund Drives

Cancer Society, March of Dimes Listed

Portland—UPI—The Oregon Labor Press, weekly newspaper of the AFL-CIO, urged union members today to boycott fund-raising drives of the March of Dimes and the American Cancer Society.

It criticized the cancer society for withdrawing from the United Fund, and the March of Dimes for "perpetuating itself and its huge staff as a professional high-pressure money-raising outfit" after polio had been conquered by Salk vaccine.

Regarding the cancer drive, the paper told Oregon's 200,000 union members: "Will Shatter Principle"

"If the cancer society's 'crusade' is successful, other health agencies are sure to withdraw from the United Fund to stage independent fund campaigns of their own. And our hard-won United Fund principle of 'one drive a year' will be shattered."

The Labor Press said the former National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, now known simply as the National Foundation, "is deliberately muscling in on other health agencies long established in their respective fields." The foundation now collects funds to combat arthritis, rheumatism, birth defects, disorders of the nervous system, and for virus research.

Two Appear in Circuit Court

Two men appeared in circuit court before Judge Edward C. Kelly this week.

John E. Clark, 30, of West Seventh st., Medford, waived the right to a grand jury and entered a plea of guilty to district attorney's information on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses. He was given a one year suspended sentence on the condition restitution is made within 60 days.

Also appearing was Cecil Hendricks, 32, of Klamath Falls. He appeared earlier and the court had requested a pre-sentencing report. Hendricks, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, was sentenced to a year in the county jail.

Jobless Pay Checks Ordered Stopped

Salem—UPI—All unemployment compensation checks will be stopped effective today until the Supreme court decides who is secretary of state, the governor's office announced late Thursday.

Earlier, Mrs. Cecelia Galey, unemployment compensation commissioner, said that 35,000 checks would go out from the funds on hand.

The governor's office said, however, that before the commission's money can be sent out, it must go through the state treasury, which would require the signatures of the secretary of state and the State Treasurer, Sig Unander.

Tuberculosis Hospital Closure Made Known

Salem—UPI—The State Board of Control today informed the 50th Oregon Legislature of its resolve to close the Eastern Oregon Tuberculosis hospital at The Dalles and make use of the facility for mentally deficient children.

Horn's Resignation From Tax Commission Accepted

Salem—UPI—The resignation of Tax Commissioner S. W. (John) Horn was accepted today by Gov. Mark Hatfield. Horn was appointed by former Gov. Robert D. Holmes. He had previously turned in his resignation. There also were reports around the capitol that Carl W. Chambers, a Republican, would not be reappointed. His term of office expired Dec. 31,

Secretary of State Beef Ready for Supreme Court

Council Suggests Letter to FCC on Second TV Station

Radio Medford May Seek Channel 10

Medford's city council may lend a hand to help bring a second television station here.

Council President Jimmy Dunlevy, Ward IV, and Councilman Robert Van Sickle, Ward III, both suggested last night that the council might dispatch a letter of recommendation to the federal communications commission.

The commission, it is understood, may decide "in the near future" whether Medford should be allocated Channel 10 for a second station.

KBES-TV, Channel 5, is the one station now in operation here. The council's letter, according to Van Sickle, would point out that Medford has room for a second one.

Seeks Allocation

Meanwhile, Radio Medford, Inc., announced this week that it intends to seek the Channel 10 allocation. This corporation now operates radio station KMED.

Another local group, of which John F. Williams is a spokesman, revealed a similar intention last July.

Both, it is understood, are interested in affiliation with the National Broadcasting company. KBES-TV is affiliated primarily but not exclusively with the Columbia Broadcasting company.

"If the city council is convinced someone is sincere" in wanting to establish a new station here, Van Sickle said today, "then the council could be of some assistance."

He and Dunlevy last night encouraged those seeking the allocation to present themselves to the council for possible endorsement.

Van Sickle previously criticized the California Oregon Television company, owner of KBES-TV, for trying to monopolize television service here. California Oregon and Trimble Television, Inc., were both granted city franchises last spring for closed-circuit facilities here.

But Trimble, according to Van Sickle, has "moved out of the state."

His request that the council consider possible revocation of California Oregon's closed-circuit franchise brought the whole subject of Medford's television services before the council last night. No action was taken with respect to California Oregon, however.

Ray Johnson, KMED station manager, confirmed Radio Medford's Channel 10 aspirations today. "We feel now is the time," he said. Radio Medford and TOT Industries, Inc.—the group represented by Williams—must compete for the FCC channel allocation. If the FCC approves establishing the channel, those interested could apply for its allocation 30 days afterward. The FCC would eventually hold hearings to decide which party would be awarded it.

Resources Board Sets Local Meeting

Findings of the Rogue River Basin investigation and study by the state water resources board will be revealed at a meeting of the board in the Jackson county courthouse auditorium at a meeting at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, John D. Davis, Stayton, chairman of the board, has announced.

The river study was conducted at the request of the 1957 legislature. Following the special meeting that morning, the board will hold a meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the courthouse auditorium.

Don Lane, former manager of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, is executive secretary of the water resources board.

Mikoyan, Dulles Set Extra Meeting; First One Fruitful

Washington—UPI—Soviet Deputy Premier Anastas I. Mikoyan and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles conferred for two hours and 25 minutes today. They evidently found the talk worthwhile for they agreed to hold another meeting, previously not scheduled, late this afternoon.

Exchange of Views

Emerging from the morning talk with Dulles, the Soviet official told newsmen only that they had "an exchange of views on questions of interest to both sides."

While Mikoyan would not amplify on this, the crucial,

cold war discussion undoubtedly focused on European security and the U.S.-Soviet dispute over reunifying Germany.

Initially, Dulles and Mikoyan had planned to meet only twice today, this morning and at dinner. The third session was arranged after their morning get-together.

To See Ike Saturday

Mikoyan will see President Eisenhower Saturday. In contrast with most of his previous contacts with Dulles, Mikoyan rushed from the press office without pausing to answer questions shot at

him by reporters assembled in the diplomatic reception room.

State Department security men surrounded him as he moved through the building and on to a luncheon with the State Foreign Relations committee at the capitol.

Ground for Talks Seen

The agreement to hold another conference this afternoon, prior to their "working dinner" tonight, was interpreted as meaning they had found some grounds for believing that fullest possible discussions would be useful. (See Story on Page 5)

Bids for Building Covers on City's Reservoirs Called

Bids for constructing covers for two Medford reservoirs over Capital Ave. east of Valley View dr. will be opened Feb. 3, according to Water Superintendent Robert Lee.

Work will be completed by June 1, Lee said. Estimated cost for the project is \$95,000.

With these lids on, Lee explained, Medford can truthfully boast that its water does not see the light of day from its underground source to the customer's faucet.

Since about 25 per cent of the city's water passes through these two reservoirs, he said, the boast was "not completely true" in the past.

State Recommendation

But there are other reasons for installing the covers, he said. One is that the state board of health now recommends chlorination as the alternative. Chlorination, Lee said, is "undesirable if it can be avoided."

"While no pollution in the water system has ever been directly traced to being caused by open reservoirs," he said, "the possibility of pollution is becoming increasingly more hazardous as the area sur-

rounding the reservoirs becomes more built up." He cited last spring's bombing as an example of another hazard.

Lee also mentioned growth of algae, or slime, during certain times of the year when the reservoirs are exposed to sunlight. While not poisonous, he said, the algae is "certainly not a desirable feature."

Turning to dollars and cents, he noted that the scrubbing now required in the open reservoirs is expensive and results in excessive wear to the reservoir lining. Scrubbing is now done three or four times a year. Covers would reduce the scrubbing to a hoisting every two or three years, saving about \$1,500 annually in operation costs, he said.

Furthermore, he said, replacement of the lining would cost about \$30,000 while elimination of the scrubbing would assure it "an almost indefinite life."

Lee said the covers, constructed of timber frames with aluminum roofing, "were designed to be as attractive as possible." He said the metal would be double-embossed to keep glare to a minimum.

"Expected life of the covers should exceed 50 years," he said.

The two reservoirs to be covered were constructed in 1908 and 1923, respectively. A third reservoir at that location, built in 1946, was covered at the time of construction.

A car wash, with Dennis Barr in charge, will be held at Earl and Ray's Mobil service station at Stewart ave. and King st. Other car washes will be at Earl's Eastside Union station at 618 East Main st., with Larry Lea in charge, and at Pruitt's service station, Main and Ivy sts., under direction of Barbara Willitt, and at A. C. James Texaco station, Kings hwy. and Stewart ave., with Mary Kay Harris in charge.

Windshield washing projects will be carried out at various grocery store parking lots with Rosilind Randles and Linda Slessler in charge.

Shoe shine stands will be operated at Main st. and Central ave., with Rosemary Doolen in charge, and at Central ave. and Sixth st., with Jim Lacy supervising.

A trophy will be presented to the high school in the county which raises the most money on a per capita basis and a plaque goes to the Medford Senior high school class which turns in the most money.

Council Approves Purchasing Cars

The purchase of five Studebaker-Packard and two Pontiac vehicles for the police department was approved with one dissenting vote by the Medford City Council last night.

City Manager Robert A. Duff said the purchases were "in the nature of an experiment" to seek vehicles more economical and durable than the Fords and Chevrolets now in use.

Duff said Pontiacs were recommended to see if such a medium-priced car might prove serviceable for two years instead of just one.

His original recommendation, presented at the Jan. 2 meeting, was for four Studebaker-Packards and three Pontiacs.

Two Studebaker-Packards and one Pontiac are to be equipped with automatic transmission.

The "Nay" vote was cast by Councilman Ed Hall, (Ward 1), who recommended that the city would be "trading the known for the unknown." He recommended the purchase of only one Studebaker-Packard and one Pontiac for experimental purposes.

But that plan apparently fell through when Duff said he did not think Thornton would believe the plan was legal and so he was not inclined to act on it.

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Appointee To Clear Warrants Falls Through

Thornton, Hatfield Exchange Barbs

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Salem—UPI—The hottest political potato in Oregon will be tossed to the State Supreme Court today when that body is called on to decide who is the proper secretary of state.

Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton said he expected to get the case into court today after conferences with District Attorney Hattie Bratzel.

Two Appointees

Former Gov. Robert D. Holmes appointed Dave O'Hara, 71, Salem, to the post and Gov. Mark Hatfield appointed Howell Appling, 39, Portland, Thornton will represent O'Hara, in the "quo warranto" proceedings.

Thornton and Hatfield have been exchanging verbal blows over the matter. Hatfield accused Thornton of "dilatory inaction" in the case and alleged that his part of the case for Appling was ready Monday.

Thornton replied that Hatfield was solely responsible for any delays, and that he now "had the drastic affront" to blame the attorney general's office for delay in straightening out his own mess.

Plan Falls Through

Two Republican legislators Anthony Yturri, Ontario, and Robert L. Elfstrom, Salem, suggested that deputy secretary of state Harold Phillippe be appointed by both O'Hara and Appling to serve temporarily so that necessary warrants could be signed while the court decides which is secretary of state.

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Open House, Other Activities Set for YMCA Observance

Open house at the Medford Young Men's Christian association Sunday afternoon will start a week of activities in observance of National YMCA week, Jan. 18-24.

Social hall, gymnasium and swimming pool activities will be featured during the open house between 2 and 5 p.m. Sunday, Bob Jones, general secretary of the YMCA, said.

Activities in the social hall include a new member induction ceremony, Indian Guide meeting, Tri Hi-Y discussion and a square dance demonstration. A girls gym class demonstration, boys basketball game, women's volleyball game, handball game demonstration, weight lifting and boys gym demonstration will be featured in the gymnasium.

Other Activities

Swimming pool activities will include a swim team demonstration, girls and boys flounder class, skin diving exhibition and life saving exhibition.

Several activities are planned during the week in observance of National YMCA week, Jones pointed out. He invited all residents to visit the Y.

Scheduled Monday at 7 p.m. is a volleyball clinic and at 8 p.m. the first session of a 12-week course for beginning square dancing in the social hall.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting and election of officers for the YMCA is scheduled Tuesday. Carl Brophy is president of the YMCA. The organization's Diamond Lake and Day campers will meet Wednesday for the annual camp reunion, and a skin diving exhibition is

Association members discussed a proposed tour of the Portland Junior Symphony orchestra to appear in Ashland sometime this spring. Hood noted that housing for the 80 members of the orchestra is a problem, and said anyone wishing to assist in locating housing may contact Steve Bayliss or Oscar Bjorlie at Southern Oregon college.

Tom Teutsch, assistant to Brig. Gen. William Prentice, commanding officer of the local Army engineer brigade, is surveying the location today for the stockade on Siskiyou summit, Hood reported.

The association discussed possibilities of a clinic for those who will man the stockade this summer. Background on Oregon history and tourist attractions will be given during the clinic.

Portland—UPI—The Oregon Centennial Commission said Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh would be invited to attend the exposition here.

Fire, which apparently started in an overstuffed divan, extended to the front room walls and ceiling about 10:30 a.m. today at the John Foster residence, 1716 North Riverside ave., city firemen reported.

Firemen said that extreme heat damage occurred throughout the downstairs area and that smoke damage appeared to be considerable both upstairs and down.

Salary Increase for D.As. Asked in Bill

Salem—UPI—The Judiciary Committee today introduced a House measure to increase salaries of district attorneys to \$12,000 in counties of 10,000 or more population and to \$6,000 in smaller counties.

Adjustments Eliminated

It also would eliminate adjustments to gross income and ratable allocation of earnings for services performed over more than one year and special exemption and tax credits for blind persons and persons over 65.

The companion bill would also apply to 1959 income.

Others Resume Under New Rules Of Greater Rights

No Reason Given For Havana Delay

Havana—UPI—The revolutionary government postponed the start of "war crimes" trials for 631 Havana prisoners today, but other trials were resumed in Matanzas under new rules providing greater rights for accused Batista supporters.

At the same time, the regime launched a campaign to publicize the "horrors" committed by ousted President Fulgencio Batista's army and secret police.

No Reason Given

Capt. Jose Gonzales Rigueral, aide to the commandant at Cabana Fortress in Havana said the start of trials for 631 men imprisoned in the capital has been postponed for 24 to 48 hours. He could give no reasons. They had been scheduled to begin today.

In Santiago, Raul Castro, brother of Fidel, told United Press International five persons had been sentenced at Guantanamo City and their executions were pending. This would bring the total of the executions in Oriente to date to 111.

The first of 77 former Batista henchmen who gained refuge in foreign embassies in Cuba were flown into exile today with permission of the new government.

A crowd at International Airport jeered and booed in protest.

Asylum in Argentina

The refugees were Eusebio Mujal, secretary of the powerful Confederation of Labor; Alejandro Herrera Arango, minister of finance in the last phase of the Batista regime, and Gustavo Gutierrez, former president of the National Economic Planning Board. All had received asylum in the Argentine embassy.

President Manuel Urrutia said relations with the United States are cordial but Cuba insists on maintaining its own point of view.

Cuba was becoming increasingly sensitive to foreign criticism of the war crimes trials and executions. (See stories on Page 5)

Holmes Named Municipal Judge

The appointment of Alan B. Holmes as Medford's municipal judge for 1959 was announced by Council President James Dunlevy, Ward IV, at last night's city council meeting.

Dunlevy presided in the absence of Mayor John W. Snider, who was in Salem.

Named as judges pro tem, to serve as alternates, are Richard W. Courtwright and Ronald Ricketts.

All three are Medford attorneys. Holmes, who lives at 649 J. st., is a partner in the firm of Boyer and Holmes. Courtwright, 25 South Orange st., is a partner in the firm of Day and Courtwright. Ricketts, 400 North Berkeley way, is associated with Skyrman and Heisel.

Appointments to the board of plumbing examiners were also announced. Ford M. Patterson, master plumber, Ed Hall, journeyman plumber, and Seth Waters, city plumbing inspector, are to comprise the board. The city inspector serves ex officio.

The council approved all appointments unanimously.

Mayor Snider's original choice for municipal judge, A. Eugene Piazza, declined the appointment two weeks ago since his residence outside the city limits rendered him ineligible.

Bill in House Changes State Income Tax Setup

Salem—UPI—A bill reducing personal income tax rates 1 per cent up to \$4,000, 2 per cent up to \$8,000 and 2.5 per cent above \$8,000 was introduced in the Oregon House today.

The bill, introduced by the Committee on Taxation at the request of former Gov. Robert D. Holmes, also removes provisions for allocating federal income taxes claimed as a deduction on a state tax return.

The bill would: Limit deductions for bad debts to business debts only, limit deductions allowed non-resident to expenses in connection with

WEATHER
FORECAST: Cloudy with a chance of light rain tonight and Saturday. Low tonight 46. High Friday 46.

Highest yesterday 46
Lowest this morning 39
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Our Skies Tonight
Sunset today 5:05 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 7:38 a.m.
Moonset tomorrow 1:07 a.m.
First quarter today 1:26 p.m.
At midnight tonight the Big Dipper will be rising in the northeast and Cassiopeia will be sinking in the northwest. Halfway between them is Polaris, the North Star.