

CHECKS CHECKED
Bloomington, Ill.—UP—Dean of students Robert Shaffer said Saturday he has expelled two Indiana University students for writing bad checks. One of the expelled students wrote the bad check to get off the dean's bad check list, Shaffer said.

FIRST TIME
London—UP—After his car was towed away for overparking, Labor Party Leader Hugh Gaitskell ruefully told police: "Oh my goodness, I've never been punched before."

Court Adopts 'Wait, See' Attitude on Home Rule

The Jackson County court, like those in several other Oregon counties, has adopted a "wait and see" attitude toward home rule.

The court's three members generally agree that greater self-determination for county government is a good thing—in principle, at least.

County Judge Earl M. Miller in particular takes time to stress to advantages of autonomy. And he has acquired sample charters of counties outside the state.

But Judge Miller and Commissioners Chester Wendt and Ralph James, hesitate to take the initial step of requesting appointment of a county charter committee until they are better informed as to where this and subsequent steps might lead.

For guidance, they have turned to the Association of Oregon Counties which will hold its annual convention Nov. 18-20 in Portland.

Commissioner James is a member of the association's Local Government committee, which went on record last week recommending that the AOC proceed "with all possible speed" to provide assistance for counties interested in home rule.

This recommendation will be submitted to the AOC at the convention. It asks specifically for both personnel and funds to draft model charter provisions which could serve as guides for committees in individual counties.

The committee called it "essential that there be some pattern of procedure for guidance of the charter committees."

The law passed by the Legislature last spring which provides for county home rule through adoption of charters establishes procedures, but no

models for the charters themselves.

Important Virtue
Speaker of the House Robert Duncan, commenting on the law, suggested this absence of a model charter was an important virtue.

The Medford Democrat stressed the diversity of Oregon's counties, and pointed out that a form of government suitable for one county might prove wholly inappropriate for another.

The lawmakers had done their part in passing the home rule measure, Duncan said, and it was now up to the people to put it to use in seeking local autonomy.

Actually, the citizens of Jackson county could press the issue if they chose to do so by petitioning for appointment of a charter committee.

Law Provides
The law provides that requests for the committee can come either from a majority of the county court or from a petition of registered voters.

The petition, to be valid, must be signed by "such number of legal voters of the county as is equal to at least 5 percent of the whole number of votes cast within the county for that position of judge of the Supreme Court for which the greatest number was cast within the county at the last preceding election for judge of the Supreme Court."

While Jackson county voters last November approved by a 13,697-5,579 margin, the "home rule" Constitutional amendment, which gave the Legislature its necessary green light, there appears to be general public apathy here toward bringing home rule to life.

And until someone does circulate and submit a petition, the initiative rests with the county court—whenever they choose to exercise it.

Appointments
In any event, once petitioners or the court do request establishment of a charter committee, appointments to it must be made within 60 days.

The committee would consist of nine members. Four of them would be appointed by a majority of the county court. Another four would be appointed by a majority of the county's state capital delegation: one senator and two representatives.

Of these original eight, a majority of five or more would pick a ninth member. The present county court members stress the importance of appointing persons qualified by experience and knowledge of governmental affairs.

Legal Voters
"All members of the committee must be legal voters of the county," the law states, "and no member shall be engaged, directly or indirectly, in any business with the county which is inconsistent with the conscientious performance of his duties as a member of the committee."

The law further provides that, "No member of an appointive authority may serve as a member of such committee."

The committee members' terms run from the time the request for their appointment is officially filed for two years or until the day of the election on the charter they proposed, whichever comes first. However, their terms may be extended.

Within 80 days of the start of their terms, the members must meet and organize themselves. A majority constitutes a quorum for transaction of business.

May Adopt Rules
"The committee may adopt such rules as it deems necessary for its operation," the law states. "However, the committee may not prohibit the public from attending any of its meetings."

The county court is obliged to provide for the committee's use from county coffers the sum of \$500 or an amount equal to one cent per registered voter, whichever is greater.

The committee members are to serve without pay. However, within the limits of their allocated funds they can employ persons or contract for their services.

Provide Committee
The county court must provide the committee with "adequate office space" and can, if necessary, allocate additional funds. The committee in turn must submit to the court a budget of its estimated expenses.

"The committee," according to the law, "may conduct interviews and make investigations which to it seem necessary in order to draft a charter; and, to the fullest



GENE SCHWEIN
New Office Manager

Local Loan Firm Opens Office Here

A new Local Loan company office has been opened in Medford at 406 Hawthorne ave., in the new Medford Shopping center. Gene Schwein, who has been a Local Loan executive in Oregon for five years, will manage the new office.

He comes to Medford from Roseburg, where he was assistant manager of the Local Loan office, and served in the Portland offices before that.

He is married and has been active in Junior Chamber of Commerce and other civic activities.

The Medford office is part of the company's expansion program in the Pacific North-

Aerial Seeding of Ashland Burn To Start on Monday

Aerial seeding of Ashland, bureau of and management and forest service lands in the Ashland watershed burned Aug. 8 will start tomorrow, the forest service has announced.

About 608 acres of land owned by the city of Ashland and the federal government suffered severe damage are being reseeded under a program correlated by Gene Winters, county extension agent.

Carroll E. Brown, forest supervisor, said the ground cover within the fire area was destroyed, thus creating an erosion hazard which could cause considerable damage to the city's watershed.

To Get Ground Cover
Brown said the first consideration in reseeding is to ob-

tain a ground cover which will minimize the erosion damage within the next few years. To achieve this, he said grass will be seeded at a rate of about 14 pounds per acre. The grass will bind the soil and at a later date trees will be planted to obtain a forest cover.

Brown said immediately after the fire, the forest service requested money to undertake the rehabilitation program. A total of \$9,500 was authorized under the secretary of agriculture's emergen-

cy flood control program, he said.

The program consists of aerial seeding by a forest service plane especially equipped for range reseeding, contour trenching and check dam construction by Ashland district crews, and later planting trees.

Salvage timber sales will soon be made with the result that burned and fire-killed timber will be salvaged this winter, Brown said.

Under the Knutsen-Vandenberg act, part of the proceeds from the salvage timber sales can be used for replanting of trees and a full utilization of the authorization is being made, he added.

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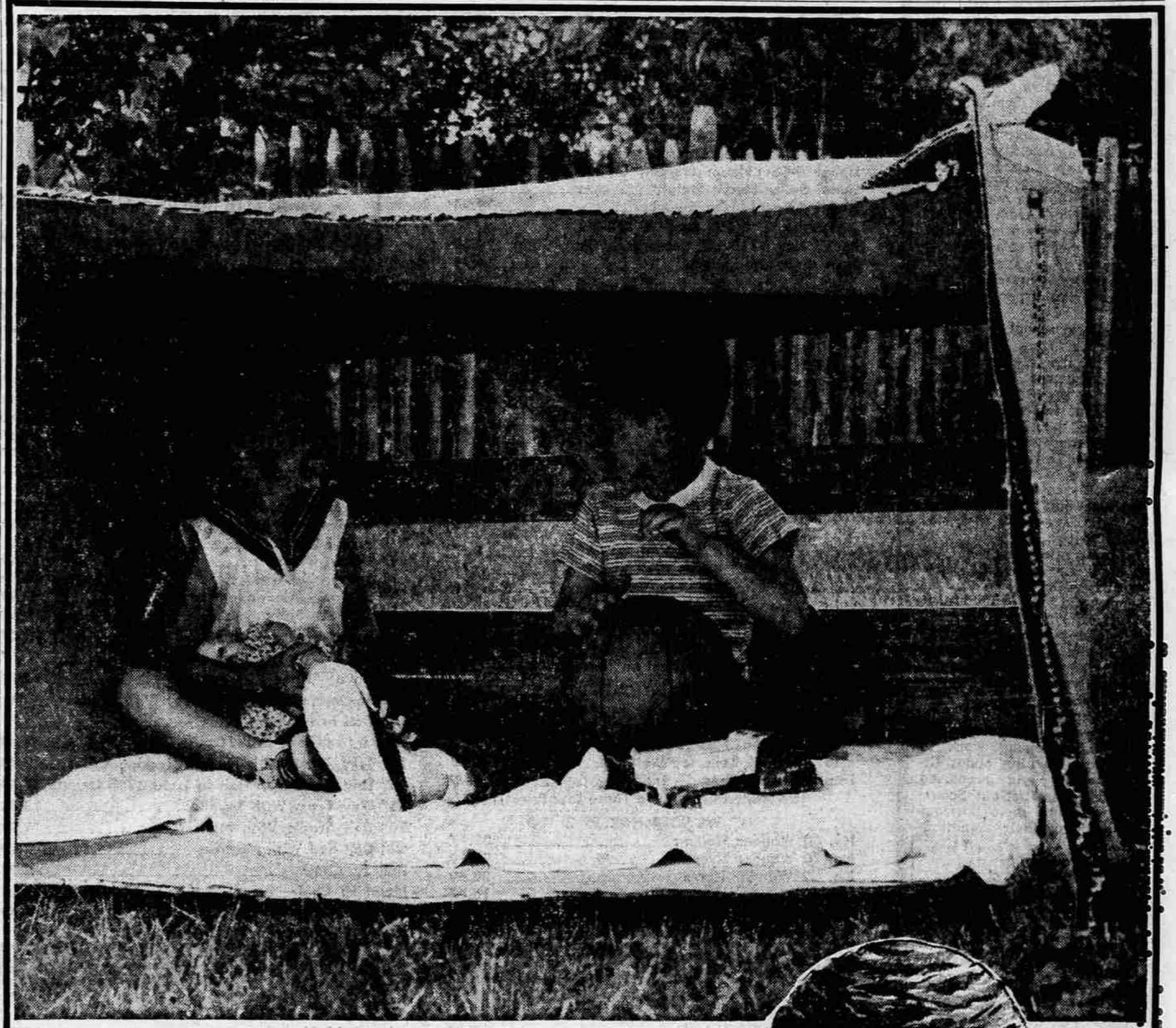


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