

'Radio Star' Satellite Orbits Around Earth



WRECKAGE SURVEYED—The Rev. Murie Rogers, pastor of the Sunnyside Baptist church at Sunnyside, Texas, is shown with his wife and son in the wreckage of their home destroyed by a tornado late Tuesday. At least three persons were killed and at least 24 others injured. Mrs. Rogers and

her son were in a storm cellar when the twister hit but the Rev. Rogers had gone inside the house to check on his family. The house was moved some 100 feet off its foundation. The pastor received some cuts but was not seriously injured. —(UPI Telephoto)

Discrimination In Housing Field Found in Oregon

Most Pronounced Against Negroes

Washington —(UPI)— Segregation and discrimination against the Negro in Oregon is most pronounced in the housing field, particularly in Portland, the Oregon State Advisory Committee has reported.

The committee said new housing in Portland is not available to anyone except the white buyers. It added there have been only a dozen cases where this pattern has been broken in recent years "with minimum of resistance."

Nevertheless, the committee continued, "marketing practices are highly discriminatory. No newly built housing is available to minority groups."

The committee report was made public along with reports from the other states in a 433 page volume released by the commission on civil rights Friday.

Chairman of the Oregon group is former Gov. Charles A. Sprague of Salem, editor and publisher of the Oregon Statesman.

The report said scarcely any families belonging to minority groups have occupied privately financed housing and probably less than 200 families have moved into publicly built houses in recent years.

Buyers' Reaction Feared
Builders and brokers, the report noted, defend their discriminatory practices on the grounds they fear the reaction of buyers and renters. It said this fear has some basis in fact as shown by a recent study of attitudes in the city of Portland.

The study revealed 46 per cent of white persons polled stated they believed Negroes should be segregated and 48 per cent of those in all-white areas were opposed to Negroes moving in.

The report said 14 per cent in the all-white area indicated they would try to keep Negroes out and "it is probable that a large proportion would refuse to rent or purchase in a project where Negroes were living."

The committee estimated approximately 13,000 Negroes live in Oregon, of which 12,000 are living in cities, and 11,000 of them in Portland, where they constitute 3 per cent of the population.

The committee noted the Oregon Legislature has passed laws barring discrimination in the housing field on the basis of race, religion or national origin.

Law Effect 'Minimal'
It said the effect of the law in increasing the availability of housing for minority groups and changing the policies of real estate owners has been "minimal" so far.

The committee found no rigid segregation in the Eugene-Springfield area. However, the area contains only about 50 Negro families and some four or five Chinese.

The advisory group said the complete lack of Negroes in some other cities in the state suggests there is a policy of inclusion. It quoted some unidentified civic leaders as saying that there are "unwritten laws" that no Negroes may reside in the area.

The report said among the smaller minority such as Chinese, Japanese, Indians and Mexicans, none appear to have as much opposition as the Negroes.

Oriental apparently have the least difficulty, the group found, Mexicans and Indians somewhat more.

The group said there is available evidence to disprove the argument that Negroes depress property values.

The committee said there has been little open discrimination in public places such as hotels and restaurants.

Ashland Police Investigate Burglary
Ashland-City police are investigating the theft of between \$100 and \$125 from the Steak House Restaurant, 397 East Main st. Sunday night or Monday.

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Report on Agate Dam Gets Approval

Clearance by State, Federal Agencies Needed

Estimated Cost To Be \$1,802,000

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Washington — A major step toward ultimate construction of Agate dam on Dry creek as part of the Talent division of the Rogue River Basin project was announced Wednesday by the bureau of reclamation as it cleared an engineering report on the project to be sent to Gov. Mark Hatfield and other federal agencies.

The report will show that estimated cost of the proposed related irrigation works would be \$1,802,000.

Rep. Charles O. Porter has introduced a bill in Congress to authorize construction of the project, but approval of the reclamation bureau report by the state and other agencies is a necessary preliminary to congressional action. The state has 90 days in which to act on the report.

Copies of the report were not immediately available but are expected to be out by the end of the week. It will show, the bureau said, that the project would consist of an earthen dam on Dry creek to create a 4,600-acre-foot reservoir; a diversion and feeder canals, ultimately to supply water to Rogue River Valley irrigation district through existing Hopkins canal and distribution system.

Agate dam would be 3,670 feet across, including a wing dike of the right abutment. Recreation facilities costing \$20,000 are proposed for the west side of the reservoir behind the dam.

A fish ladder at Antelope creek dam and a fish screen at the head of the diversion canal would protect migratory fish, the bureau reported. Of the total cost of the project, \$27,100 is for these fish facilities.

The amount allocated to irrigation, which would have to be reimbursed to the government through repayment contracts with local beneficiaries of the irrigation system, would come to \$1,754,000. The bureau figures the benefit to cost ratio would come to 2.76 to 1 over a 50-year period. Repayment contracts normally start after the initial 10-year or development period and run for the ensuing 40 years.

Water stored by the new project would be used to supply 1,810 acres of presently dry land and 4,280 acres of presently irrigated land which requires supplemental water in low-water years.

Congressman Porter recently sent a questionnaire to 50 residents of the Medford area who had expressed interest in the Agate dam project. Most of them replied and only one expressed reservations. The others favored the project, Porter's office reported.

With Congress heading toward a July adjournment, it is not likely Porter's bill can be enacted this year. But completed action on the bureau's report would set it up for early legislative action next winter.

South Africa Seeks White Immigration
Johannesburg, South Africa —(UPI)— The South African government has taken a calculated risk with a new campaign to boost white immigration, political sources said today.

While attempting to offset the three-to-one population advantage of the non-whites, the government is taking a chance that immigrating whites might oppose South Africa's racial discrimination policies.

Interior Minister J. F. T. Naude said Tuesday that it was "urgently necessary in the present circumstances" to attract more Europeans to this country.



About 20 Persons Tour Howard Prairie

A caretaker for the Howard Prairie recreation area probably will not be necessary this summer, County Commissioner Ralph James said today.

James, County Commissioner Chester Wendt and County Judge Earl Miller were among the party of about 20 persons who toured part of the Howard Prairie area yesterday.

James said Thomas J. Parker, Ashland, contractor for the recreation facilities, is scheduled to complete work Aug. 14. An observer noted yesterday that fishermen and campers in the area so far have been careful to dispose of all trash and have not caused trouble.

Parker said he could keep an eye on the area while he is working here and block off the roads if the public becomes troublesome, James said.

Specifications for establishing a water system will be released to bidders possibly in May, a bureau of reclamation official said. This will include a pump, tank and distribution lines to the camping and picnic areas.

So far only a 20-foot wide concrete boat ramp and a parking area adjacent to it

Municipal Jury Finds Man Guilty
A municipal jury this morning found Ray Robert Offord Jr., 42, of Old Stage rd., guilty of making an improper right turn.

He was cited by a Medford police officer March 16 for the traffic violation. The charge was for making a right turn from the left lane of Eighth st. onto Bartlett st.

Patrolman Milton Hanson, the citing officer, was the only witness called by the city. Offord testified in his own behalf during the defense presentation. John Dellenback, Medford lawyer, represented Offord.

The jury of six persons deliberated for about 20 minutes before returning the guilty verdict, it was reported. Offord was fined \$20 plus \$1 court costs and \$30 jury costs.

This is the second trial by jury held in municipal court. Municipal Judge Alan Holmes presided.

Beverly Aadland Held for Hearing
Hollywood — Beverly Aadland, 17, aspiring actress who was linked with the recent death of bit player William Stancuri, has been ordered held in custody by juvenile authorities until a hearing on May 2. Her appearance today resulted from police charges that she is a "sex delinquent" and lacks parental supervision.

Navigational System Tested With Sky Shot

Said Forerunner of Satellite System

Cape Canaveral, Fla. —(UPI)— The United States put a "radio star" earth satellite into orbit today to test a new navigation system that could prevent civilian collision disasters and help war planes and submarines to better aim their nuclear weapons.

The satellite, named Transit after the traditional navigation instrument, is a forerunner of a satellite system scientists hope will transmit data back to ships and planes every 90 minutes.

Operational by 1962
Dr. Richard B. Kershner, speaking for John Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory which is building the satellite for the Navy, predicted the new navigational system will be operational by 1962.

Under present navigation methods, a ship or plane can determine position within half-mile range. The satellite data will enable them to cut this to less than a quarter mile.

Confirmation that the navigation satellite was in orbit came at 5:36 a.m. (p.s.t.) when its radio signal was picked up at Las Cruces, N.M., the Navy announced in Washington.

Signals Received
The 265-pound satellite equipped with four radio transmitters, soared into the sky at 4:02 a.m. (p.s.t.) aboard a new air force space rocket. Within minutes, signals were received by tracking stations in Baltimore, Argentina, Newfoundland, and Lasham, England.

The Navy announced in Washington that the satellite had successfully separated from the second stage of the Thor-Able-Star rocket, indicating the new moonlet, dubbed "Transit 1B," was headed into the prescribed orbit.

Because of patches of snow and the mud, the group was unable to tour the area for establishing tentative zoning.

Avoid Disasters
The satellite may show how to avoid disasters such as the Andrea Doria-Stockholm ship collision off the coast of Massachusetts and the crash of two airliners over the Grand Canyon in recent years.

These were two of the biggest accidents blamed in part on navigational errors caused by bad weather.

For the price of a special radio receiver and a slide rule, a navigator will be able to use operational transits to find his exact position on earth, day or night and in fair weather or foul, scientists said.

10,000 Eggs To Be Hidden for Hunt
Some 10,000 Easter eggs have been purchased by the Medford Kiwanis club for the annual Easter egg hunt at Hawthorne park Saturday, April 16, according to the Rev. Harvey C. Covert, vice chairman of the event.

The hunt will start at 9 a.m. Children will be divided into three age groups. They are 1 through 3, 4 through 6, and 7 through 9. Separate areas will be roped off for the groups in the hunt, Kiwanis club officials said.

Fifteen special eggs are included in the areas which entitle the finder to special prizes.

Kiwanis members and their wives will sack eggs in separate cellophane bags at a sacking party at the Rogue Valley Country club Friday evening, Dr. Merle Foland, Kiwanis president said.

The eggs will be hidden in Hawthorne park early Saturday morning.

Portland —(UPI)— Portland has been selected as the 1963 convention city by the American Association of Port Authorities.

Yellow Highway Center Line To Be Painted White
Salem — The yellow center line so familiar to Oregon highway users will soon disappear as state highway traffic line crews get their 1960 painting seasons under way, according to W. C. Williams, state highway engineer.

The dashed center line, dashed lane lines, and solid edge stripes will be painted white this year, conforming to the national standards set by the U.S. Bureau of Public Roads. All other markings,

Kidnapers Grab Youthful Heir To French Fortune

Paris —(UPI)— Kidnapers snatched the 4½-year-old heir to one of Europe's biggest automobile fortunes Tuesday and threatened to kill him unless they got \$100,000 ransom within 48 hours, police said today.

Chubby, cheerful Eric Peugeot, grandson of auto tycoon Jean-Pierre Peugeot, was carried off in broad daylight before the startled eyes of his playmates, the police said.

The kidnaping occurred at the children's playground of France's most exclusive country club, the Saint-Cloud course just west of Paris.

It was the first kidnaping for ransom in France in 25 years. The Surete Nationale—the French FBI—swung into a massive investigation.

Newspapers and radio and TV stations crackled with the sensational story. Eric's parents, Harvard-educated Roland Peugeot and his wife, Colette, were sick with fear at violation of the kidnapers' warning not to tell police.

Peugeot showed the strain when he went to his office as usual today. He is a vice president of the Peugeot firm, one of the "big five" of the French automobile world. The others are Renault, Citroen, Simca and Panhard.

Fearful of the publicity, he told reporters: "Don't ask me. I'm not the one who told the police."

Police did not reveal who they notified them. But they indicated it was a full three hours after the kidnaping.

Allies Agree on Russian Challenge
Washington —(UPI)— The Western Allies were in general agreement today on a plan challenging Russia to let the Communist East Germans decide their own fate free from Soviet pressure.

Tentative Road Plan For County Outlined
The 1960-61 tentative county road improvement program was outlined today by Bob Carstensen, Jackson county engineer.

The road grading and graveling program now has a tentative total of \$458,720, Carstensen said.

However, not all of the roads scheduled for this work may be included in the 1960-61 fiscal year county budget, depending on the money available, the county engineer said. Nineteen roads are being considered for grading and graveling, he added.

Tentative Oiling
Twenty-eight roads are being considered in the tentative oiling and paving program for 1960-61. Including the miscellaneous sealing, this program has a tentative total of \$300,860.

The bridge construction being considered in the 1960-61 tentative program totals \$316,500. This program includes the following bridges: Evans Creek, now under construction, \$46,000 for the new fis-

Building Plans Are Discussed by Board

The Medford school board will open bids at 5 p.m. Tuesday, April 26, on construction of a three-classroom addition, with a fourth room as an alternate, at Hoover school.

The addition is the first construction in the two-year building program for which a \$750,000 bond issue was approved by district voters March 31.

Jack A. Edson, Medford architect, said plans for the addition are in the hands of local contractors. Plans include an addition of about 4,320 square feet of classroom space and some 2,200 square feet of covered passages.

Construction Material
Construction material will be concrete slab floors, colored shale block and wood, Edson said. The new wing will closely resemble the present structure. Construction is scheduled for completion by school opening next fall.

The board next authorized the school administrator to proceed with plans for construction of another two rooms at Hoover, and voted in favor of building four rooms at Hedrick and two classrooms and the administrative unit at West Side.

Otto Ewaldsen, board member, voted against the West Side plan for an administrative unit next school year. He said he did not believe it was necessary next year, and could be added in the 1961-62 year if another classroom at West Side is needed at that time.

However, other board members and school administrators noted that the third classroom for the 1961-62 school year is indefinite, and the administration unit is needed in any event.

Although there are office facilities at West Side, school administrators noted that there are now no student health facilities nor any work-space for teachers other than classrooms. Students, officials said, should have a place to rest if they become ill at school, and teachers should have space in which mimeographing and other similar work may be done. Present office facilities are overcrowded, they noted.

Agree on Classrooms
Ewaldsen agreed the two classrooms planned next school year are needed, as are the rooms at Hoover and Hedrick.

The board asked the school administrator to proceed with the sale of bonds and the construction program on the most economical basis possible.

Several board members noted they had been approached by district patrons urging such a program, even if such an economical program involved selling all the bonds and constructing more classrooms than was originally planned for next year.

Board members agreed it is more economical to do all the needed construction at one time rather than add one unit next school year, and another the year after.

Unit Alternates
School officials plan to have architects draw up plans with one, two or three unit alternates so the board can review the student growth periodically and adjust building to the need.

In connection with school facility planning, the board authorized Dr. Leonard B. Mayfield, superintendent, to arrange to have Ned Langford, Medford planning technician, review before the board a population trend study which has been completed in the Medford area.

School Board Buys 2 Buses; Shades Are Authorized

Two school buses were purchased and arrangements for installation of aluminum baked enamel shades for Hedrick Junior High school at the Medford school board meeting last night.

A combination bid on two 72-passenger buses was approved. A General Motors company vehicle with a Carpenter body will cost \$13,427.99, and an International vehicle with a Superior body will cost \$12,284.92.

The board accepted the combination offer on recommendation of school administrators, who want to keep records of maintenance and operation of the two different vehicles for future use.

One of the buses is a replacement, the other a new vehicle.

Aluminum Shades
The board authorized installation of aluminum shades at Hedrick to control excessive heat from the sun on the west side of the building during the warmer months. Installation is to be done after consulting the architect of the building.

Cost of the shades will be \$1,600.

In other action, the board agreed to cooperate with the Jackson county special education classes by providing available space at the Jacksonville school for the classes.

Resignations were accepted from Mrs. Marjorie Padgham, Mrs. Barbara Reedy, Mrs. Noreen French, Mrs. Helen Casey, Mrs. Jean Shepherd, Mrs. Alpha Jane Buller, Mrs. Judy Huck, Mrs. Rosanne Dale, Mrs. Mary Friesen and Dale Bates.

Teachers elected include Mrs. Marsha Ferte, Miss Dorells Barrell, Miss Carolyn Bell, Miss Phyllis Black, Russell Carr, Mrs. Linda Evans, Mrs. Helen Hicks and Miss Dorothy Warren.

The board accepted for study applications of teachers for merit consideration as recommended by school administrators.

Nixon's Illinois Vote Impressive
Chicago —(UPI)— Vice President Richard M. Nixon, running by himself in a race for prestige, made an impressive showing in the Illinois primary election today.

Nixon, unopposed on the Republican ticket and with no competition from Democratic presidential hopefuls, polled more than 600,000 votes in the nation's third primary of the 1960 election year. He led the Republican ticket, getting 75 per cent of the GOP vote.

The Chicago Democratic organization, most powerful big city political machine in the nation, carried its candidate to victory almost everywhere on the primary ballot.

Augusta, Ga. —(UPI)— President Eisenhower will interrupt his golfing holiday next Monday long enough to open the American League baseball season in Washington.

WEATHER
FORECAST: Cloudy with a light rain tonight and partly cloudy Thursday. Low tonight 48. High Thursday 62-65.

Highest Yesterday	57
Lowest This Morning	36

Our Skies Tonight

SUNSET today	6:31 p.m.
SUNRISE tomorrow	5:32 a.m.
MOONRISE tonight	2:19 p.m.
LAST QUARTER	April 18
PROMINENT STAR	
Deneb, low in north-east	12:08 a.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS	
Jupiter, low in south-east	1:40 a.m.
Saturn, low in south-east	2:18 a.m.
Mars, rises	6:25 a.m.