



STREET CLEARED—Hustle and bustle as usual is the order of the day in Manhattan as traffic and pedestrians move briskly along, left. Suddenly, an air raid warning sounds, and everybody's in a hurry to take shelter at Madison ave. and 43rd st., center. Moments later, the busy street is silent and virtually deserted—a strange sight in the middle of a week day in New York. The action took place during Operation Alert this week.—(UPI Telephoto)

Catholics Select Portland Mother

Portland—170—A Portland woman has been chosen as "National Catholic Mother of the Year."

Mrs. Frances F. Leehan, 62, a member of Holy Redeemer parish in Portland, was presented the award by the National Catholic conference on Family Life. The award was announced by the Rev. Aleuin Heibel, arch-diocesan Family Life Director.

Mrs. Leehan is the mother of 12 children—seven sons and five daughters. Two of her sons are priests, one is a Brother, one is about to become ordained to the priesthood and three of her daughters are nuns.

Another Oregon woman—Mrs. Leo Stupfal of McMinnville—was given the honor in 1958.

Five Trustees Are Reelected to Terms In Sites Foundation

Five members of the board of trustees of the Siskiyou Pioneer Sites Foundation were reelected Monday night.

They are Martin J. Sutton, Mark Goldy, William Dawkins, Seth M. Bullis and Dr. Frank Haines. Bullis and Haines are the only two original members of the board. All were unanimously reelected for three-year terms.

CAIRO, U.S. AID

Cairo—476—The United States government today presented the United Arab Republic with a check for \$10 million as part of an economic aid agreement.

er, Southern Oregon college, and the Jacksonville city council, will be destroyed some time this month because it is a safety hazard.

Haines usually referred to the Britt property in the past tense and mentioned how the two fires had stymied any progress by the foundation. First the front half burned, he said only half-jokingly, and then the back half.

"I don't know whether we ought to pursue this any further," he added. "Perhaps the whole hill will disappear."

Haines concluded the meeting by commending numerous groups and individuals for their work in connection with the organization's activities. He singled out Secretary Mrs. Janice Houghton for her "magnificent efforts" during the past year.

The board of trustees will meet at the home of Thomas J. Hight in Medford Thursday.

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Dog Control Said Problem Which Stands Out in State

There are a number of municipal problems common to most Oregon cities, but the one which appears to stand out among the others at present, is that of "dog control," according to Medford Mayor John W. Snider.

Mayor Snider, who recently attended a series of meetings throughout the state by the League of Oregon Cities, had a first-hand opportunity to observe some of the problems which are common to most of the cities in Oregon.

As president of the League, Snider attended some 22 meetings, traveled 3,000 miles and talked to 1,200 city officials who represented 1,018,000 people living in incorporated cities.

He visited nearly every town of any size in Oregon, and met and talked with most of the county courts and a number of state legislators.

It was the purpose of the meetings to review the activities of the League and discuss the problems faced by many of the cities.

Snider reviewed a number of these problems in a recent interview and pointed out how they affect Medford, if at all.

He found that most cities admit they have a dog control problem but do not know what to do about it. Many of these same cities have various kinds of "leash laws" appearing on the ballot at the next election, he noted.

Those cities which do have leash laws, he said, either during gardening season or the entire summer, have found them effective, at least during the daytime. It is quite difficult for cities to enforce leash laws at night, he added.

Snider found that revenue is one problem which is uppermost in every city official's mind. He noted that many cities will present to the voters next election proposals to raise their tax bases or exceed their 6 per cent limitations.

This is a problem which is not faced by Medford in the immediate future, he said, and noted that Medford has not had a tax base increase since 1909.

One thing that all cities may have in common is a possible increase in state-shared liquor and gas tax revenues, Snider said he learned. The revenues will be up an estimated \$3 million over last year and 10 per cent of this increase should accrue to the cities, he said.

Water is another problem which is common to cities, he observed. Many cities are now having to replace worn out facilities, dig wells and make other provisions to acquire water. Medford, he said, is extremely fortunate, he said, in that it will not have to worry about a shortage in the supply for several years to come.

Snider discovered that many cities have a problem in garbage disposal methods, as does Medford, and that there is a definite trend toward the sanitary land-fill method of disposal. He personally inspected a land-fill facility in Baker and said although they are more expensive, they appear to be satisfactory.

He commented on a great interest around the state in the industrial development program and said that, generally, the entire state reflects optimism and confidence in the future.

One problem which is peculiar to the cities of Arlington and Boardman in the John Day country, Snider noted, is that they will be covered by water when the John Day dam is completed.

Arlington particularly, he said, is in trouble because it will lose approximately 70 per cent of its tax base for about a year. This time lapse will come during the next year, between the time they move to a new townsite and the next property appraisal.

To help Arlington bear the cost of moving, the federal government is paying for new streets, roads, sewers, water lines, schools and the city hall, he said. It is also buying businesses at their depreciated value.

Another problem which is uppermost in the consideration of all cities is planning. There is a definite movement toward joint city-county metropolitan planning, he said, in an effort to solve these problems.

Multnomah and Lane counties have already adopted much of this city-county planning and Marion county has a massive cooperation plan, involving even the school districts, Snider pointed out.

"The Jackson County Planning Advisory committee is a definite step in the right direction," he observed.

Reflecting on the trip itself, Snider said: "I can't travel around the state without being impressed by the activities of the state highway department. It appears that they are building good highways and to my knowledge, every area in the state will have an extensive highway system when the program is completed."

One problem which Medford has solved more than most other Oregon cities is that of off-street parking, Snider noted. He said "The entire state is looking at Medford's Park and Shop plan with envy." Each town, no matter how small, has the off-street parking problem and are quite concerned with it, he added.

Another problem that Medford has solved, and which other cities are presently struggling with, is that of airports, he said. Mayor Snider found that many cities are now attempting to obtain state and federal funds for needed airports.

One of the reasons they need them, he said, is for medical purposes—to provide for

the immediate evacuation of persons needing specialized medical care which they themselves cannot provide.

For instance, he said, John Day is building a 6,000-foot runway even though they have no airline service.

On his travels, Snider came to the conclusion that "Around the entire state, Medford is considered as having solved more of its problems and being more progressive in city expansion than almost any other Oregon city."

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