

Medford Council Lends Support to Niantic Paving

The Medford city council at a special meeting Friday afternoon voted unanimously to lend the city's name to a petition seeking pavement of Niantic st. from Edwards to Maple sts.

The action means that paving of this section of Niantic st. is closer to realization now than it has ever been in the seven years which residents and the Lincoln school PTA have been working for it.

Niantic st. at this location is presently just a 20-foot wide unpaved alley. School officials, the PTA, residents and the Medford Safety council have all contended that the present condition of the street constitutes a traffic hazard to Lincoln school children.

Dust Causes Nuisance

It has also been pointed out that the dust raised by vehicular traffic on this alley causes quite a nuisance to residents. Much of the efforts to get the street paved have been done by Mrs. Max P. Weston, 1102 North Riverside ave., and president of the Lincoln school PTA.

Some 231 feet of property fronting the east side of Niantic st. from Edwards to Austin st., is owned by the city. The city's signature will mean that some 62.1 per cent of the total footage of property in this area will be represented on the petition.

Plans for a 40 foot right of way and 34 feet of paving on this portion of Niantic have already been approved by the council. The next step will be to call for bids.

The council had been to the point of calling for bids at their May 5 meeting, when Mrs. Jeanette Marshall, a



EUGENE ORR
Legionnaire of Year

Eugene Orr Receives Legion Merit Citation

Eugene Orr, Medford furniture store owner and long-time American Legion member, was awarded the Legion's citation of merit at a banquet Saturday night.

Orr was named American Legionnaire of the year because of his record of Legion achievements. These include: post commander, Medford post, 1950-51, district commander, 1953-54, current executive member of the American Legion national rehabilitation committee since 1952 and post service officer and delegate from District 13 to the American Legion national convention.

Community Service

Community contributions include leadership in worthwhile charitable campaigns, service clubs and fraternal organizations, chairman of the Medford Retail Merchants committee, 1956, 1957 and 1960; member of the board of directors, Medford Chamber of Commerce. He also aided in organizing and gaining acceptance for the annual budget concept of merchant participation in promotion of Rogue valley events. He worked unceasingly and successfully at his own expense for necessary expansion of the Camp White domiciliary center despite considerable public indifference.

Choice of Peace In Public Hands, Speaker Asserts

Helen Gahagan Douglas, former congresswoman from California, emphasized Saturday night that choice of peace rested in the hands of an informed American public.

The President's office is an important one since he is the one who has the greatest influence for peace. He can speak to all of the American people at once, she said at the 10th annual Roosevelt Memorial dinner at Hedrick junior high school.

Overflow Crowd Attends Safety Patrol Banquet

A standing-room-only crowd of more than 400 persons packed Hedrick Junior High school's cafeteria Friday evening for the annual School Safety Patrol banquet sponsored by the Medford Safety council.

So many school patrol members, parents, teachers and school officials turned out for the banquet that it was nearly 25 minutes late getting under way. Several teachers gave up their seats and watched the program from doorways.

Largest Crowd

Rudy Tetreault, manager of the Oregon State Motor association's Medford office, termed it "the largest crowd ever" at a safety banquet.

About 210 students from 14 elementary schools in District 549C and St. Mary's received patrol badges and pen and pencil sets.

Awards were presented to captains of patrol units by Medford Police Chief Charles F. Champlin, who told patrol boys and girls they are the "greatest single force of help and aid that your police department has."

Thanked for Work

Guest speaker Vern Hill, Salem, director of the Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles, thanked patrol members for their work and said "we cannot emphasize too much the value that you have to your community."

Patrol badges, denoting the rank of each member, were contributed by the Oregon State Motor association. Pen and pencil sets were furnished through the combined efforts of a number of civic clubs.

Contributing clubs were the Medford Rotary, Medford Lions, Medford Kiwanis, Junior Lions, Elks, Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce, Medford 20-30 club, Zonta International and the Business and Professional Women's club.

Banquet Costs Defrayed

Mothers' clubs and parent-teacher groups defrayed the cost of banquet tickets for school patrol members from their respective schools.

Tetreault introduced representatives from clubs aiding the project and teacher-coordinators of the traffic safety program at the various schools.

Banquet chairman was Elliott Becken, assistant superintendent of Medford schools.

S. F. Police Move To Prevent Repetition of City Hall Riots



NIKITA IN PARIS—A beaming Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev, right, hands a bouquet of flowers to Russian Defense Minister Rodion Y. Malinovsky after receiving it on his arrival in Paris Saturday. Khrushchev carefully refrained from taking more than an indirect swipe at the United States while expressing hope the summit conference would succeed. (UPI Radiotelephoto)

Phoenix School District Vote on Budget Monday

Phoenix — A school levy election will be held in the new Phoenix administrative school district from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, May 16, according to Ernest James, Phoenix school district superintendent.

Residents of the Phoenix area will vote in the Phoenix grade school gym and those living in the Talent area in the Talent grade school gymnasium.

Total estimated tax levy for the 1960-61 school year is \$500,895.82. This includes both general fund and bond interest and redemption fund. This represents a decrease of \$6,973.96 compared to the total of the Phoenix and Talent levies' total of \$507,869.78 last year before the two districts were consolidated, James said.

Exceeds Limitation

The amount exceeding the 6 per cent limitation in the proposed budget is \$369,276.43. This is \$75,672 less than the amount exceeding the 6 per cent limitation in the total of the current Phoenix and Talent districts' budgets passed last year.

The \$35 per cent child allowed recently by the Jackson county court will provide an additional revenue of \$26,775 for the combined district, the superintendent pointed out, and will further offset the district's tax levy.

The 1960-61 District 4 budget shows a total increase of \$25,493 for instructional costs due to increases in teachers' salaries, teaching supplies and textbooks. Also, because of approximately \$1,000 reduction in other items, the net budget increase is about \$24,500.

Khrushchev Plans To Confront Ike With Spy Plane Incident

Washington — President Eisenhower left Saturday night for the fateful summit conference in Paris where he will deal face-to-face with a belligerent Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

Eisenhower, who was to arrive in Paris Sunday morning, was said to carry a massive file detailing Soviet espionage activities in the United States in recent years. The file was to be for use in the event Khrushchev carries out his threat to confront the President with the recent spy plane incident.

Paris — Khrushchev arrived in Paris Saturday for the big four summit conference and, in a backhand slap at the United States, indicated he would take up face-to-face with President Eisenhower the quarrel over the spy plane incident.

High U.S. sources said Saturday night as Eisenhower headed for the French capital and the formal meetings to open Monday, that Khrushchev's bitter stand on the spy plane may be due to trouble at home and with Red China over any soft line. They said the Soviet Premier could be under pressure to get tough.

He arrived with a beaming smile, but in an airport statement attacked "certain influential circles" which he said were "preventing improvement of the international climate." In the same breath he specifically praised France and President Charles De Gaulle. Diplomats took his remarks to be a rebuke to America.

Khrushchev served notice he still wants the Western Allies out of Berlin. The Western Big Three Foreign Ministers, already in Paris, promptly declared their firm intention of staying in the city.

Khrushchev served notice that he wants the parley opening Monday to discuss: "General and complete disarmament."

"The liquidation of the remnants of the Second World War and the conclusion of a German Peace Treaty."

"East-West Relations."

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Ciudad Trujillo — The Dominican Republic has denied that there has been any worsening of relations between that country and the United States.

San Angelo, Tex. — The wool industry has crowned 20-year-old Miss Patricia Shaw of Deer Lodge, Mont., as its Miss Wool of 1961.

Precipitation at Crater Lake Park Above Average

Snowfall and precipitation reports from Crater Lake National park are encouraging to local ranchers and farmers as the summer water supply picture has improved over earlier reports.

Otto Brown, park superintendent, has announced various weather figures, all improvements on previous reports for this year.

April precipitation at the park headquarters weather station was 6.64 inches, which represented a 44.97 per cent increase over the 25-year April average. Cumulative precipitation for the year through April was 53.85 inches or 86.9 per cent of the 25-year average. Only four Aprils during the 25 years had more precipitation.

Snow Above Average

Snowfall for the month was 58.5 inches or 28.4 per cent more than the average. Cumulative snowfall for the year was 73.5 per cent of average. Only five of the 25 years during which records have been kept had more snow during April.

Snow on the ground April 30 measured 103 inches compared to the average of 101.4 inches.

Falling Boom Kills Grants Pass Youth

Grants Pass — A one-thousand pound boom tumbled from a flatbed construction company truck here Saturday and crushed a 12-year-old Grants Pass boy on a bicycle.

Killed was Greg Allyn, son of Ralph E. Allyn.

Allyn apparently was killed instantly when the boom fell from a truck adjacent to him. Both the truck and the boy were just leaving a railroad crossing stop sign.

Police theorized the boom was jostled from the truck when it crossed the railroad tracks.

Driver of the truck, Bruce McFarland, 22, of Grants Pass, said he saw the boy at the stop sign and noticed in his rearview mirror after starting up that the boy was lying in the street.

McDonald Given 10-Year Sentence

Portland — Convicted dynamiter Levi McDonald was sentenced to 10 years in prison and fined \$500 Friday for masterminding the bombings of four newspaper trucks.

His attorneys filed notice of appeal.

McDonald, 51-year-old former stereotyper union negotiator, was convicted on testimony of four youths who confessed to bombing the trucks in Portland and six others in Oregon City the night of Jan. 31. The trucks carried papers and newsprint for the struck Oregon Journal and Oregonian.

Morse To Arrive In Oregon Monday

Portland, Ore. — Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.), lacking the organized support of his party, flies to Oregon Monday to challenge front-running Sen. John Kennedy (D-Mass.) in the state's May 20 presidential primary.

Kennedy, who also faces Morse in next Thursday's Maryland primary, was to arrive today and has several appearances scheduled. Both plan to campaign intensively right up to the Friday primary date.

Portland — The Columbia inter-agency committee will hold its next meeting here June 14.

City's Valuation Hike Indicated

County Assessor Ray Schumacher denied Friday that he had told Medford City Manager Robert A. Duff that the city can "expect to add about \$1 million in assessed valuation" this year.

"This amount is only 'indicated' Schumacher said.

"There is no way to estimate this until the tax roll is equalized and the ratio for utilities established by the state tax commission," the county assessor said. "It will be mid-July before we get that information."

Duff made his statement to the citizens budget committee at its first regular meeting Wednesday night that there should be a decrease in total millage levied on city property for 1960-61.

Schumacher noted that Ashland won't be affected as much by utilities as Medford. Depending on state tax commission action, the ratio on utilities may be dropped 3 points to 25 per cent. This would mean a decrease of assessed valuation of 12 per cent for utilities.

A tax ratio is established by taking the percentage of true cash value at which the property will be assessed.

U.S. Protests Cuban Firing on Submarine

Washington — The United States formally protested to Cuba Saturday against a Cuban patrol boat firing "without provocation" on a U.S. submarine more than five miles off Cuba May 6.

Washington, D.C. He was the 13th person arrested by the FBI in a recent crackdown on bomb threats and hoaxes involving airliners.

Milnes said Saturday he is "just sick" over the incident, because it was an unthinking joke, and there was no malicious intent of any kind.

He spoke highly of Kitch, who is an employee of Western Oil Co., of which Milnes is the head.

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County Census Still Not Complete

The U.S. Census of Jackson county residents is still not complete, Harold Sander, Rogue River, one of the crew leaders in this area, reported Friday.

Crews are completing work in the Griffin Creek, South Stage Road, and other suburban areas, Sander said.

While the population inside the Medford city limits was below estimates, he reported, that of the suburbs has proven to be far above earlier estimates, and it is taking up to two weeks longer to complete the non-city count than was planned.

He said he hopes the suburban count can be completed by Tuesday. If, by that time, residents still have not been called on by an enumerator, he suggested they send in the "Were You Counted?" form printed recently in the Mall Tribune and other area newspapers.

"Some Of Our Staccraft Is Missing"



Russia Orbits Unmanned Ship

New York — The Tax News Agency reported today that Russia has orbited an unmanned space ship.

The space ship-satellite has a pressurized cabin on board which contains a dummy spaceman, and all the necessary equipment for a future manned flight. Tax reported.

It weighs more than 4 1/2 tons, including some 1 1/2 of scientific instruments, the agency said.

The announcement came on the eve of the Big Four summit meeting in Paris.

Portland Bomb 'Joke' Involves Medford Man

Portland — Donald David Kitch, 48, Portland, who was arrested Friday on a charge of violating the false bomb report section of the statute on destruction of aircraft, has been released on his own recognizance, according to the office of U.S. District Attorney C. E. Luckey.

Kitch was at the Portland airport with a friend, Victor Milnes, Medford oil executive, when he made a joking reference to a bomb in a suitcase. It was overheard by an airlines employee, and the plane was held while Milnes' suitcase was opened for search.

The arrest was announced by the justice department in Washington, D.C. He was the 13th person arrested by the FBI in a recent crackdown on bomb threats and hoaxes involving airliners.

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Our Skies Tonight

WEATHER
 FORECAST: Variable cloudiness Sunday and Sunday night with possibly a few showers over and near the mountains late Sunday. Partly cloudy Monday. High Sunday 63. Low Sunday night 38. High Monday 76. Low Monday 50.

Our Skies Tonight
 Sunset today 7:26 p.m.
 Sunrise tomorrow 4:49 a.m.
 Moonrise tomorrow 11:53 a.m.
PROMINENT STAR
 Altair, low in east 11:01 p.m.
VISIBLE PLANETS
 Jupiter, rises 10:42 p.m.
 Saturn, rises 11:48 p.m.
 Mars, low in east 3:18 a.m.