

Enforcement Agencies Are Unprepared for Dog Control

When the county-wide dog control law goes into effect Aug. 30, it appears that it will catch most affected agencies in Jackson county almost totally unprepared to enforce its provisions.

Although the agencies have had plenty of time to prepare for enforcement of the law (since the May primary election) it would seem that few of them, if any, have given it much thought.

It is quite possible that they will just pretend there is no law at all.

Under a state statute regarding dog control, adopted for this county at the primary election, no dog will be allowed to run at large unless it is muzzled. All dogs found running at large shall be picked up by the nearest law enforcement officer and confined in the county dog pound. Fines Provided

Fines of \$10 and \$20 are provided for dog owners who allow their dogs to run at large.

Primary jurisdiction over the law is given to the county. However, all law enforcement agencies will be responsible

Dog control petitions have been submitted from four precincts, the county elections department said Friday.

Petitions include the Talent, Ruch and Applegate areas and total about 95 verified signatures, it was reported.

Three other petitions for placing a dog control measure on the November general election ballot have been submitted, but they were not notarized as required by law, it was explained.

for apprehending at - large dogs, according to state law. In the county government itself, the Jackson county dog control board has been given primary jurisdiction over enforcement.

But, the board has yet to adopt any enforcement policy.

County Commissioner Ralph James, who represents the county court on the dog control board, said all there has been so far is "talk." There hasn't been any program for enforcement set up, he said, and "they (the board)

don't even know if it (the ordinance) will stay in or not."

This would seem to be a valid doubt as there have been many complaints from persons who say they did not know when they were voting for when they approved the law. Six petitions asking for a revote on the law have been received by the county clerk and there are reports of many more being circulated throughout the county.

Commissioner James is of the personal opinion that the law "won't be workable in the county." He said further that he doesn't believe people in the county "knew how they were voting" and many are "dissatisfied." He added that it might work all right in cities.

Neither the city nor the county has made any budget provisions for enforcing the law, although the law was approved prior to adoption of the final 1960-61 budget in both cases.

No Preparations
Not one new man has been hired, nor has one new piece of equipment been purchased, nor has as much as one additional dollar been allocated for the express purpose of enforcing the dog control law.

But Commissioner James and others do not seem to feel that there will be any extra costs incurred because of the ordinance. James says the county dog pound now disposes of from 125 to 200 dogs a month and he does not believe that this amount will increase any with the advent of the new ordinance. He adds that the county dog population has decreased during the past few years.

Neither does James feel that there will be any great enforcement problems. Most people who like and have dogs, he said, will obey the law when it goes into effect.

Others seem to feel as James does, or they have washed their hands of the matter altogether.

Biggest Headaches
This apparent tendency to ignore the law is especially prevalent among members of Medford's city administration. And the city will undoubtedly have one of the biggest headaches in enforcing the law.

Medford Police Chief Charles P. Champlin said that he has not been informed what the police department's

responsibilities will be under the law.

"As far as I know," he said, "the only responsibility of police officers will be to transport at-large dogs from within the city to the county dog pound." Champlin was not sure of just how this will be done, but said officers probably will have to place the dogs in their patrol cars when transporting them.

Any policy that the police department might take toward the new law would necessarily have to come from the city administration.

Waiting to See
Both City Manager Robert A. Duff and City Attorney Joel Reeder do not anticipate any definite action being taken by the city in the near future. Duff said the city is waiting to see what the county does and what problems the county might have before taking any action.

In the county, Sheriff Joe Walsh said that his office will have very little, if anything, to do with enforcing the ordinance. If the sheriff's department receives a call of a dog running at large, he said, they will refer the caller to the dog control department and that will be it.

The dog control department could hardly be called a large department. They have three full-time employees, including County Dog Control Officer Chris Hagler, and one part-time employee. In addition they have one county-owned pickup truck and Hagler gets mileage on his own vehicle when he uses it on county business.

It would appear from talking to most local officials that they are not taking the new law too seriously and do not anticipate any problems in enforcing it.



ARNOLD K. HARRANG
Appointed to Position

Ag Representative Appointed in Bank

The appointment of Arnold K. Harrang as agricultural representative in the southwest area of the state for First National Bank of Oregon has been announced by C. B. Stephenson, president.

He will maintain his headquarters at Medford, covering Medford, Ashland, Central Point, Grants Pass, Coos Bay, Gold Beach, Port Orford, North Bend and Coquille areas.

Harrang was born in Sweet Home, is a graduate of Oregon State college and a practical agriculturist who has been cited several times for his successful farming methods.

He was chosen Linn county livestock Man-of-the-Year in 1955 and was honored again in 1957 by being selected Linn County Grassman-of-the-Year. Prior to 1953 when he began operating his own farm, Harrang served with the Farm Security administration of the department of agriculture and was an agricultural instructor in Albany under the Veterans administration training program.

In his new post with the bank, Harrang will be available for consultation with farmers, the bank president said.

Annual Air Show

Roseburg - The second annual Roseburg air show will be held at the municipal airport here Aug. 13 and 14, according to Marvin Waipole, chamber of commerce airport committee chairman.

Professional acts slated for review include entries from the Portland Parachute club, the Salem Soaring society, the Portland raindrops, the Krautwurst Konzert band, the Flying clown, and a professional stunt pilot.

Also participating will be the Air Force, National Guard, U.S. forest service, and department of agriculture. On display will be the latest type aircraft and helicopters, according to Waipole. The Lions club "Fly-in Breakfast" will start at 8 a.m. Sunday.

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No Action Taken On Liquor Request

No further action has been taken yet on an application of Alaskan's Cafe and Taverna at Wimer to sell liquor by the glass, according to County Commissioner Chester Wendt.

The county court is making further investigation of the matter, he said. A hearing was held Wednesday on the application of "Woody" Owings, Wimer, to secure the license.

Owings, owner of the cafe, told the court he wishes to enlarge his business. He presented the court a petition signed by 49 persons favoring the change from serving only beer to liquor.

The Rev. Henry R. Holsinger, Wimer Community church pastor, presented a petition against the request which was signed by 64 persons.

In other business Friday, the county court approved the application of Hunter's tavern to sell wine off the premises. This is similar to arrangements by grocery stores which sell wine to be consumed off the premises, it was explained.

Average weekly earnings for crude oil and natural gas production workers in 1959 was \$114.

Real Estate Men To Meet Officials

Local real estate brokers and salesmen are slated to meet with state real estate officials Aug. 12 at noon in the Jackson hotel to discuss statewide real estate issues.

E. F. Ross, deputy commissioner, and William E. Healy, education supervisor, will be guests of the Medford Realty Board on the special "Know Your Real Estate Department" program.

William Frohnmayer, president of the Medford group, stressed that the meeting is open to all licensed real estate brokers and salesmen of Jackson county. The Ashland Realty Board is cooperating as host.

Examinations for real estate brokers and salesmen will be held in Medford Aug. 18. After the luncheon Friday, Healy will be available to discuss examination procedures with any applicants, or others interested in real estate.

Sweaters for men this fall will take on a more weighty, bulky look in the popular ski-type styling. Necklines are predominately crew-necks, V-necks, many more shawl-collars and boat necks. Big, bold colorful plaids and checks are news, too.

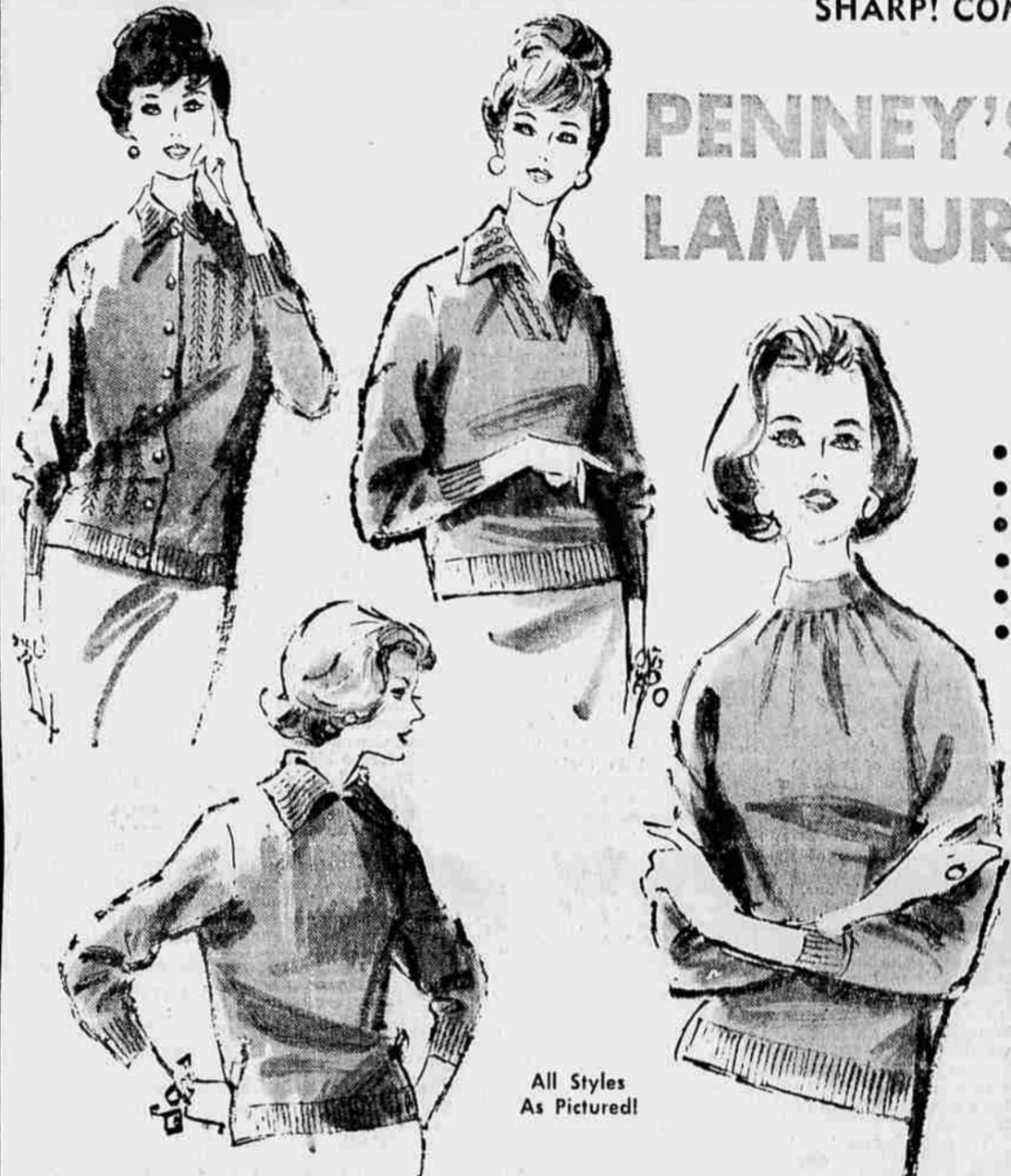
Tiny prints are as much a part of the old-fashioned-girl styles as smocking, shirring, gathered skirts over very soft petticoats, and sleeves puffing from a tight wrist gauntlet.

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