

PLANS TEST BLASTS
London—The British Atomic Energy Commission announced plans Tuesday to explode a series of conventional blasts as part of a study of seismic reactions, the explosions, which would not involve nuclear weapons, would be set off in abandoned mines and quarries, and in the English Channel.

REPUBLIC DATA
Guatemala was established as a republic April 17, 1839.

LEGAL NOTICES

PUBLIC AUCTION
The Oregon State Highway Commission will offer for public sale the former Miller house and garage located just south of the Gold Hill on the Pacific Highway. The sale will be held on the premises February 10, 1981, at 10:00 a.m.

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Jackson County Court at the Courthouse at Medford, Oregon, on or before 10:00 a.m. on the 13th day of February, 1981, for recapping and/or repairing of pavement on the following described alleyway within the City of Medford as the same is designated and created on the official plat thereof of record, to-wit:

JACKSON COUNTY COURT
Earl M. Miller
County Judge
Chester H. Wendt
County Commissioner
E. H. Taylor
County Commissioner

NOTICE OF ALLEY VACATION
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the City of Medford, Oregon, did on the 19th day of January, 1981, by resolution, initiate proceedings to vacate the following described alleyway within the City of Medford as the same is designated and created on the official plat thereof of record, to-wit:

Being an East-West alley South of Lot 21, Block 1, South Sea Addition, situated in the easterly one-half of the block bounded by Riverside Avenue, East 12th Street, Franquette Avenue and Easthart Street.

CALL FOR BIDS
Sealed bids in duplicate for the construction of Extension Service Buildings, Jackson County, Oregon will be received by the Clerk of the County Court, Jackson County Courthouse, Medford, Oregon until 2:00 P.M. on the 10th day of February, 1981, and will then be publicly opened and read aloud.

A deposit of \$25.00 per set of drawings and specifications is required. Any bidder upon returning his set promptly and in good condition will be refunded the deposit and any non-bidder who draws plans and specifications will be refunded one-half of his deposit.

Rural Reflections
By MAUDE ZIEGLER
Applegate Valley—Quoting from a former Applegate resident who served on the welcoming committee for a plane load of Harry Holt's Korean orphans:

"There were 107 of them ranging in age from infants to 12 years; (70 were under one year). They were at the Honolulu airport from 12:30 p.m. until nearly 5 o'clock while the plane was being serviced, refueled, etc. In that interval all the babies 2 years and under were bathed, given fresh clothes, and all were fed. Our Quaker group assumes responsibility for assembling volunteers, clothing, and toys to entertain the cherubs while they're here. This time we had eight other church groups cooperating—some 70 volunteers in all, including at least four men who were very useful.

"Each gal was assigned a baby, or in case of the older children, two or three, to care for. Only a few of the youngsters could speak or understand any English, but fortunately there were two groups of local Koreans among our volunteers who could interpret when necessary. They brought huge kettles of Korean rice soup, and Pan American air lines provided sandwiches, milk, baby formula, cookies, zwieback, or orange juice, disposable diapers and kleenex in endless quantities. The Salvation Army group set up a sort of assembly line for bathing the babes, and everything worked out beautifully.

"They were really beautiful children and all of us gals were most reluctant to put our own child-for-the-day back on the plane. Mine was a fat little dumpling of a girl child just under two. She surely loved her victuals, and her rosebud mouth continued to open hopefully as long as food was anywhere in sight.

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS
Sealed bids will be received by the Jackson County Court at the Courthouse at Medford, Oregon, on or before 10:00 a.m. on the 15th day of February, 1981, for the furnishing of new tires and tubes for passenger cars, trucks and heavy equipment for the Jackson County Road Department for the fiscal year of March 1, 1981, to March 1, 1982.

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Regional News

Correspondents: Upper Applegate Valley—Maude Ziegler; Lower Applegate Valley—Jeanette Nease; Butte Falls—Mary Jo Harris; Central Point—Dolores Armstrong and Tie Vincoek; Eagle Point—Dottie Harrison; Gold Hill—Sams Valley—Mary Kell; Grandview-Lone Pine—Dot Simmons; Happy Camp—Hazel Davis; Betty Reedy; Hornbrook—Katherine Chapman; Illinois Valley—Katherine Scott; Jacksonville—Bette Hooking; McLeod—Caroline Harding; Murphy—Mrs. R. Z. Millmann; Phoenix—Mrs. Leo Furry; Prospect—Valda Barr; Shady Cove—Evelyn Watson; Table Rock—R. E. Nealon; Tiller—Drew—Viola Rogers; Yreka—Doris Robinson and Betty Celkins.

Central Point Council Hears Kiewit Proposal

Central Point—Plans and specifications of a proposed excavation site near Central Point's sewer line were presented to the Central Point city council last night.

Pete Kiewit and Sons represented by Rod Miller and Bob Phelps outlined the company's plan and pointed out there are precautions the company was adopting to protect the sewer line. The problems exist because the main sewer line from Central Point to the pumping station runs along the north edge of property owned by the company. Miller stated the plan had been altered so the excavation would not come within 100 feet of the line. To promote stream flow and to prevent erosion of the creek bank, the course of Bear creek will be straightened and lowered slightly.

The excavation will be 23 feet deep and will be separated by a berm with a head gate at the downstream end. This head gate is to assist the irrigation district in providing irrigation water. Miller also said that while his company could not guarantee the city that future flood water would not damage the line, he could give assurance that the company would take all precautions to prevent any foreseeable damage which might be created by the removal of fill material from the area.

Classroom Teachers To Meet Feb. 13

Eagle Point—Nomination of officer candidates for the 1981-82 school year will highlight business of the Jackson County Classroom Teachers association at their dinner meeting Feb. 13 in the Eagle Point Grade school cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.

All reservations for the dinner must be made at the grade school by Feb. 9 by calling Hillcrest 6-3081. Price of the dinner will be \$1.25.

Included on the program will be reports on the recent meeting in Eugene of the Association for Supervisors and Curriculum Development. Gilbert Mack, principal of Gold Hill schools, and Robert Work, principal of the Eagle Point Grade school, will be among those participating.

Teachers present will be split into groups according to grade levels for study and discussion of proposed new textbooks in social studies. All teachers and interested people are invited to attend. Reservations are required.

Jacksonville Council Passes Firearm Control Ordinance at Meeting

Jacksonville—The Jacksonville city council passed an ordinance prohibiting firing of firearms in the city limits at its meeting Tuesday night. The ordinance also includes firing of air rifles or pellet guns. It also provides that "it shall be unlawful for any person to carry, transport or possess any firearm, pellet gun, air rifle, air pistol or other gun which is loaded or is in such condition that it can be immediately fired."

"It shall be a defense to prosecution for violation of this ordinance if it shall be shown that the discharge or possession of the firearm was reasonably necessary to prevent death or serious bodily harm to the defendant or any member of his family."

Violation of the new ordinance will be punishable by a fine of not more than \$100, imprisonment in the city jail for not more than 30 days or both fine and imprisonment.

In other action the council members effected Don Wendt as council president. A possible sub-division ordinance was discussed and further study of proposed sewer plans was made.

Parents were requested to keep their children away from the old Stamp mill on Cemetery rd. The mill is in dangerous condition.

Tom Brunfiel was appointed sexton of the Jacksonville cemetery.

FOUNDERS' DAY TEA

Tiller-Drew—Tiller-Drew PTA Founders' Day tea will be held in the Tiller school gymnasium Feb. 17 at 1:30 p.m. Past-presidents have been sent formal invitations to attend. Those present at the tea will be honored.

IMPROVEMENTS

Tiller—New electric wires and a new oil-furnace have been added at the Forest Service station at Tiller. The new oil-furnace has been installed in the office building of the South Umpqua district of the forest service. Copco has been replacing old electric wires in the station area.

Her name was Yvonne, and she was destined for adoption by a family in Erie, Pa. Grace Pearson, Resident Hostess at Quaker Center, Honolulu, Hawaii

Phoenix Council Passes Building Permit Measure

Phoenix—The Phoenix city council passed a measure giving the city building committee immediate authority to grant building permits at its meeting Monday night.

The building committee and city building inspector have to approve all building permits. The measure giving the committee immediate authority to grant permits is designed to speed up granting of permits.

The council heard a report from representatives of the new owners of the Southern Oregon Livestock yard regarding parking problems created when a sale is held. The company spokesmen said they are anxious to cooperate with the city in solving problems created by customers parking in the cemetery next to the auction yard and in driveways of homes near the yard. Blocking of Church st. during sale hours will also be considered, he said.

The city watermaster announced that a new water main to the Bolz subdivision is almost completed.

The council considered having a city clean-up week some time in spring. Purpose of the clean-up would be to improve the appearance of the city and to eliminate many fire hazards.

Italian Dinner Well Attended

Grants Pass—An overflow crowd of from 300 to 350 people were on hand for the Italian dinner served by the Grants Pass chapter of the American Field Service, Saturday evening, Feb. 4, at Highland school in Grants Pass.

The dinner was prepared under the supervision of Mrs. Harold Maffett and Mrs. W. L. Solomon, cooks at the Highland school, and served by Grants Pass high school girls who had volunteered their services.

Honored guests were four exchange students living in and around the Grants Pass area. They were Jill Durock from England and "Don" Konodo from Japan, both of whom are spending the school year in Medford; Heino Pause from Germany, who is living in Crescent City; and Franca Margini from Italy, who is living in the Grants Pass area.

Eighteen tables, decorated by civic and local organizations to honor other countries or regions of the world were on display and prizes were awarded for those done most effectively. First prize winner was the Alpha Iota chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority table decorated to honor Holland; second prize went to a table honoring France which had been decorated by the South Junior High school PTA; third prize was won by the table featuring Hawaii which had been prepared by the Active club of Grants Pass. Honorable mention went to Zonia, for their table on Mexico; the International Relations League of the Grants Pass high school for their table on Ecuador; and the table on Italy done by Gamma Rho chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority.

The purposes of the dinner were to help raise funds to support a foreign exchange student, and to better publicize the exchange program.

Fathers' Night To Be Observed by PTA

Jacksonville—The February meeting of the Jacksonville Parent-Teacher association will be "father's night," and all fathers are especially invited to attend.

The meeting will be held in the school gym Thursday, Feb. 9, at 8 p.m. After the business meeting, a short play, "Toothache Town," will be presented by Mr. Colley's sixth grade class.

Mr. Buehling will demonstrate materials and techniques used in his remedial reading class. Refreshments will be served by the fourth grade mothers.

CHECK THE CLOSETS

Albuquerque, N.M.—Albuquerque police have been asked to help University of New Mexico security men solve a baffling burglary committed sometime during the past week. The loot, listed on university property records as Inventory Item 6183, was a complete human skeleton valued at \$200.

Street Improvements Considered At Gold Hill City Council Meeting

By MARY KELL
Gold Hill—Street improvements was the main topic during a meeting of the Gold Hill city council Monday night. Mayor Milton Steinmetz presided. The session was held at the new city hall location on Second ave.

Action was taken by the council to use some of the funds allotted by the state for street improvement to start development of streets near the Hanby Elementary school. That end of Fifth ave. which is a dead end street at the present time will be cleared of brush and graded. Eleventh st. will be widened and Tenth street will be cleared of brush. They said the proposed street work when completed will make access possible to building sites in that area. Homes in that vicinity would have a view of Echoe Mt. across the Rogue river from Gold Hill.

Councilmen on the street committee were directed to investigate the possibility of clearing and grading the end of First ave. that approaches the Rogue river. If this plan is carried out, access to the swimming hole, fishing and picnic area on the banks of the Rogue river would be improved, councilmen said. A report on this project will be given at next council meeting.

It was reported that the necessary repair of man-holes would cost about \$350. This sum will be allotted out of the state street improvement fund, councilmen said.

A total of \$8,260 was allotted in the budget last year for the state street improvement fund, according to city officials.

Dial Telephone System Installed In Murphy Area

Murphy—The Service Telephone Co., servicing the Murphy, Provolt, Williams and Applegate area, has completed converting the phones in the Murphy area to the dial system.

As of Saturday, Feb. 4, at 10 p.m. all local calls in the Murphy area are being handled by the dial system rather than by contacting the operator and having her place the call. This has entailed many changes in phone numbers in these areas. The company has mailed new phone books to subscribers and urges them to check all numbers before placing any calls in these areas. As yet, it is still not possible to dial Provolt numbers (taking in the Provolt, Williams and Applegate areas) from Murphy or vice versa, and the operator must be contacted to place these calls. There is no charge for a five minute call from Murphy to the Provolt numbers.

The operator must still handle the calls from any of these numbers to the Grants Pass area. The main improvement is that all local Murphy calls may be handled automatically by the dial system. The company plans to have an eventual system where almost all local and long distance calls may be made by the dial system. Another electronic device which has been installed provides for automatically cutting off conversations at the end of a five-minute period. This is of particular help to those on a party line who have difficulty in getting their neighbors to terminate phone conversations.

All these improvements have been part of a steady program of modernization of the part of the Service Telephone Co. since it took over from the Applegate Company in 1952. An additional feature of the new cable system is that party lines will now be limited to five families. This will make more efficient service possible.

Grants Pass Band Plays Pop Concert

Grants Pass—The Grants Pass high school band under the direction of R. E. McAllister presented its annual Pop concert Tuesday evening, Jan. 31, at the Memorial gymnasium.

The band presented a program which included the following selections: Them Basses, Dance Teccata, selections from the musical Gigi, Man on the Street, Fandango, El Charro, Ballet from William Tell, Cabo Yubi, Pan American Promenade and Brass Pageantry. The enthusiastic audience called the band back for three unscheduled encores.

The purpose of the concert was for the band to raise money to help defray the cost of a recording machine which is being used as a teaching aid in the music department of the high school.

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proper places along this old channel, especially near the foot of some of those mountains, quite a supply of water, at some proper depth might be found.
"There is also water leaking out of the foot of that mountain just south of Gold Hill along the old highway. Now if you people could find enough good drinking water in this manner, it would not be too much of a chore to flush out all the present water mains and pump good water in, then lay a few mains around town strictly for fire purposes and irrigation or vice versa, and let the cement company continue to pump the water for fire and irrigation, or if the town is too poor to put in any mains there could be fresh water stations set up at convenient locations. I believe that by simply running a tunnel under the mountain and a few cross cuts, this might produce enough drinking water for Gold Hill.
The possibility of drilling wells to supply water for the city of Gold Hill was discussed. The fact that some wells in this area do supply an abundance of water was voiced by several people.
Steinmetz opposed the suggestion of wells. He informed the council that he intended

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