

Commerce Code Approved by Oregon House



PICKETS — Members of the local Laborers union are shown as they picketed the construction site of the Alpine Village development in Medford yesterday afternoon. The picketing, still going on today, is a protest by the union against what they term "unfair labor practices" being employed by the demolition contractor. The building in the background is the old Osteopathic hospital, which is one of the structures being torn down to make room for the million-dollar development.

Macmillan Will Submit Alliance Plan To Kennedy

London — (UPI) — Prime Minister Harold Macmillan will submit to President Kennedy a broad plan for an Allied economic defense alliance to meet the challenge from the Soviet Union, it was learned today.

Macmillan will hold his first talks with Kennedy in Washington starting April 5.

A high diplomatic authority said the key to the British plan — designed at countering the increasingly serious economic challenge from Russia — is economic "interdependence" among the Western Allies.

Joint Efforts

The scheme does not envisage a pooling of resources but rather joint efforts to exploit new economic fields, consultations on economic problems and a closer exchange of information.

Behind Macmillan's plan lies the growing uneasiness of British policy makers over the threat to Allied strength caused by lack of joint and long-range planning.

The British argument is that the cold war will be fought in the coming years chiefly on the economic front and that the outcome will determine the world's balance of power in the future.

Soviet Scientists Clash Over Shot

Moscow — (UPI) — Two Soviet scientists clashed today over the question of whether Russia's newest space triumph of returning a dog safely from a space flight has removed a key obstacle from man making a similar trip soon.

The exchange by the two scientists indicated that Russian scientists, pressing to get a Russian into space before the United States, are not unanimous in how close they actually are to this feat.

The scientists were quoted by the official Soviet news agency Tass after Thursday's launch and return of the five-ton spaceship with its cargo, Blackie, the dog.

Dag Aide To Demand Belgium Quit Congo

United Nations, N. Y. — (UPI) — Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld announced today he was sending a special representative to Brussels next week to demand that Belgium speed up its withdrawal of military personnel from the Congo.

A Security Council resolution Feb. 21 called for the immediate withdrawal of three types of Belgians still in the Congo: Officers helping lead the armies of President Joseph Kasavubu, Para-military personnel (military advisers) and former Belgian soldiers, now civilians, who have become mercenaries serving in the armies of Katanga President Moïse Tshombe.

Hammarskjöld announced that Tunisian Ambassador Taieb Sabani, who represented his country on the Congo Conciliation Commission, would leave for Brussels early next week to "speed compliance with the Security Council resolution." He will be accompanied by another Tunisian, Mahmoud Mestiri.

Meanwhile, closer cooperation between United Nations officials and Congolese authorities eased tensions and lessened the threat of an all-out conflict in the strife-torn republic.

Western observers said one of the reasons for the easing of tensions was the disclosure that Hammarskjöld's personal representative in the Congo — Rajeshwar Dayal — was returning to New York in connection with the forthcoming UN debate on the Congo.

Physicians Office Building Proposed For Medford Area

A \$250,000 Physicians office building will be constructed adjacent to Rogue Valley hospital this summer, Robert McIntyre, Medford, has announced.

McIntyre is affiliated with the Southern Development company with Claude McIntyre, Medford, and Emmett Steele, a Los Angeles business executive and a home owner in Gold Key Homesites, Gold Hill.

The Southern Development company is a companion corporation of the Rogue Valley Land company, Medford.

Construction of the physicians office building is expected to start within 90 days, and will be completed in about seven months. It is being financed, built and promoted by Southern Development company.

Robert McIntyre said the company, in recent years, has been planning for a complete, well-integrated medical center for Medford, and that the physicians office building will be the first unit in the overall plan.

Second Unit

The second unit, he said, will be a convalescent hospital, plans for which are being prepared. The convalescent hospital will have 50 beds, and will cost about \$500,000, he said.

The physicians office building will be a modern structure based on a new concept for office buildings, McIntyre said. An interior garden court with ornamental fish pond and landscaping of flowers and shrubs is one of the features of the floor plan.

"Twelve doctors' suites will be included, all of which will be served by modern medical laboratories. Sufficient parking is planned in a secluded area behind the building."

McIntyre said the decision to create a medical center at this time was based on several factors.

They include the steady and continued growth of the valley, the adjacent Rogue Valley hospital and the new wing now under construction, the completion of the Rogue Valley Manor nearby, a belief that there is an increasing need for physicians' offices near the hospital for the convenience of the physician, and the fact that Medford is becoming a medical center for southern Oregon and northern California.

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Hatfield Indicates Capitol Mall Veto

Portland — (UPI) — Gov. Mark Hatfield indicated Thursday night he has a veto waiting for a bill that would cut back the Capitol Mall by several blocks.

A bill sponsored by Sen. Walter J. Pearson (D-Portland), would cut the projected mall area from D to Union street.

Hatfield said: "I will not be a party to eliminate the extension."

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Happy Camp Man Dies From Injuries

Yreka — Darrell J. McWilliams, 23-year-old Happy Camp man, died early Friday from injuries received Wednesday in an accident on Highway 52 1½ miles west of Selma Valley.

The California highway patrol reported McWilliams' car went out of control and hit a tree Wednesday afternoon. Ronald C. Hockaday, 21, also of Happy Camp, was a passenger and escaped with minor injuries.

Funeral arrangements are being made by Girdner's of Yreka.

Washington Publisher Purchases Newsweek

New York — (UPI) — The Washington Post Co. publisher of the Washington Post and Times-Herald, has purchased Newsweek Magazine, it was announced Thursday.

SUPPORTS BILL

Salem — (UPI) — Dr. Leon P. Minear, state superintendent of public instruction, today came out for a bill to require teen-agers to be 18 before they can get a driver's license.

Festival Receives 343 Applications For 1961 Company

Ashland — Angus L. Bowmer, producer director of the Oregon Shakespearean Festival, Ashland, told the board of directors this week that 343 applications have been received for positions in the 1961 company.

The applications, he said, are from 39 states and five foreign countries. A total of 193 applications were from men, and 150 from women.

Bowmer noted that from the total number of applications, about 45 will be selected to form the 1961 company. Many of the applications are from persons who have been members of previous Festival companies.

Opens July 24

The 1961 season opens July 24 and ends Sept. 3. Plays scheduled include "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Hamlet," "All's Well That Ends Well," and "Henry IV, Part 1." Also scheduled is "The Alchemist."

California with 75 applications leads the list, Bowmer said, with New York second with 51. Twenty-two applications have been received from Texas, and 19 from Oregon. Ten applications have been received from Canada, three from England and one each from France, Ecuador and Puerto Rico.

Bowmer said the deadline for applications to be received for the 1961 company is March 31.

Kennedy Appoints Envoy To Italy

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy today named career diplomat G. Frederick Reinhardt, 49, as U.S. ambassador to Italy.

ON UN AGENDA

United Nations, N. Y. — (UPI) — The Security Council, without a vote, agreed today to put the question of Portugal's African territory of Angola on its agenda for full debate.

"Hi, Cousin — How Are Things At The Club?"

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Jobless Total in Oregon Highest Since March 1958

70,500 Said Out of Work in February

By United Press International

The number of persons out of jobs in Oregon last month was the highest since March of 1958 but there were hopeful signs regarding the state's economy and the key lumber industry today.

Employment Commissioner David Cameron said the number of persons out of work last month was 70,500 and that employment dropped by 1,900 in the month through Feb. 15.

Jobs Fewer

Total jobs were 631,100, some 10,700 fewer than in February of last year.

In McMinnville, the Yamhill Plywood Co. announced it was reopening its mill. It was shut down several months ago because of poor market conditions. About 40 men are involved. Indication of an upswing in the plywood market was given as reason for the reopening.

Crow's Lumber Market

News Service reported the green fir market strengthened "considerably" this week with a price increase of \$2 to \$3 on standard and better and \$4 to \$6 on utility. Most sanded plywood stock remained at \$60 but with some attempting a move to \$64.

Sen. Maurine Neuberger (D-Ore.) said President Kennedy's housing message improved prospects for the lumber industry in emphasizing necessity for accelerating the housing for low and moderate income families.

Home Rule Group Hears Publishers

Two valley newspaper publishers, Maxwell Thayer, Rogue River Times, and Edd Rountree, Ashland Tidings, analyzed the county government and possible benefits of home rule last night before the Jackson county home rule study committee.

Both favored home rule, but disagreed as to the type of government which should be established under it.

"General public apathy and lack of a set of rules for county government has cost the people untold millions," Thayer remarked.

Both Thayer and Rountree would have a five-man board of supervisors. Thayer would have the supervisors elected from wards, Rountree would have them elected at large. Rountree enthusiastically approved a county administrator while the Rogue River Times editor strongly opposed a county manager. Both publishers thought an administrative officer hired by the board of supervisors and directly responsible to them would work best.

The Tidings' editor would have all department heads appointed. Thayer would have them elected with definite qualifications for each office established.

Both Rountree and Thayer agreed that a home rule charter would not eliminate the general faults in a democratic government.

Jury Indicts Roy McGahuey



PENSIVE — LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey, Central Point, confessed murderer of a 23-month-old boy and his mother in a Central Point apartment on Feb. 13, appears thoughtful while awaiting arraignment in Jackson county circuit court this morning on charges involving the boy's death.

LeeRoy Sanford McGahuey, 43-year-old Central Point man charged with first degree murder, was arraigned before Circuit Court Judge James M. Main this morning.

The case was continued to allow McGahuey to consult his court-appointed attorney, William Kellington, before entering a plea. Kellington was appointed this morning by Judge Main.

Yesterday the Jackson county grand jury returned a true bill indicting McGahuey for first degree murder. He is charged with the murder of 23-month-old Rod Cameron Holt, son of Mrs. Loris Mae Holt, Mrs. Holt and her son were found slain in a Central Point apartment Feb. 22.

The grand jury yesterday returned a no true bill on Charles McDonald King, 128 Valley View drive, Medford. King had been charged with contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The grand jury returned a true bill indicting George Dumais, 2428 Stewart ave., charged with drawing a bank check with insufficient funds in the bank. He is charged with issuing a bad check for \$387.82 to Hillier Oil company on Oct. 29, 1960.

Club's Request for Lake Dock Approved

The Jackson county court this morning approved the request of the Rogue Aqua Ski club to construct a dock at Emigrant lake for public use.

The Jackson county parks and recreation commission previously had recommended to the county court that the dock construction be approved.

Construction of the dock would start immediately. It would be 40 by 60 feet with a wood deck and supported by steel pontoons. A carpet over the deck and a guard rail would be included.

The county court stressed that the dock be used for both club and public. Sanitation facilities would also be constructed by the club.

Extension Sought For Reorganization

The Jackson county school district reorganization committee last night requested time allowed for completing reorganization plans be extended from April to October.

Extension previously had been given to April by the state. Pending state legislation may change the picture.

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House Approves Aid For Needy Children

Washington — (UPI) — The House today approved President Kennedy's priority request for emergency aid to the needy children of jobless workers.

The program, which would provide up to \$305 million in federal funds for as many as 750,000 eligible children during a 15-month period, was approved by voice vote after only taken opposition.

COST ESTIMATED

Salem — (UPI) — Secretary of State Howell Appling Jr. estimated today it would cost the state \$800,000 to move his office and that of the state treasurer out of the Capitol building to another location on the mall.

Net Receipts Tax Bill Returned To House Committee

Chamber Turns Proposal Down

Salem — (UPI) — A net receipts tax bill designed to cut state income taxes by 10 per cent came alive today in the Oregon House after the chamber voted it down late Thursday.

The vote to send HB1001 back to the House Tax Committee was 42-13.

Thursday the measure failed by a close vote of 30-27 in the first afternoon meeting of the House this session.

Some Amending Seen

Rep. Richard Eymann, chairman of the tax committee, indicated that the committee will do some amending.

Thursday's action that killed its companion — HB1002 — also was rescinded and the House voted 33-22 to send it back to committee. HB1002 would require businessmen and self-employed professionals to file quarterly tax returns and pay estimated taxes rather than wait until the end of the year.

Would Streamline Tax

HB1001 would sweep out Oregon's present income tax, replacing it with a sort of "super tax," streamlined and comparatively simple to administer.

Opponents charged that it is peppered with inequities. Doubts were expressed that it would actually cut taxes.

Big Sore Point

The bill would eliminate most deductions and exemptions and this was a big sore point. Another complaint was that it would bring a number of low income people into the tax fold for the first time, despite assurances by supporters that they would not suffer.

Opposition votes were bipartisan and unorganized. Eymann said for this reason he believes the bill can pass if the committee puts back the deduction for contributions to charity.

Officials Discuss Pollution Problem

Medford city officials met with industrial representatives at noon today to discuss the city's proposed air pollution ordinance.

Approximately 25 representatives of the fruit, lumber and other industries attended the meeting to discuss with city officials their particular problems regarding air pollution. These problems will be taken into account by the city when the air pollution ordinance is prepared.

City officials have already met with representatives of the state sanitary authorities, the county court and Chamber of Commerce officials. Other meetings are planned.

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Public Hearing Scheduled April 25 On Proposed Transfer of School Land

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The decision followed a special meeting of the Jackson county school district reorganization committee last night with representatives of the Phoenix and Medford school districts.

The committee decided to postpone final decision and its recommendation to the school district boundary board until it learns of the outcome of pending state legislation affecting school district reorganization. However, the committee agreed that everyone involved in the proposed transfer has a right to be heard.

The transfer proposed by residents of the area covers the land northwest of Barnett hill near Barnett rd. and adjacent to Ellendale rd., including the Rogue Valley Manor. It includes the land now within Medford city boundaries, but in the Phoenix school district, and extends eastward past the North Phoenix-Hillcrest rd. to the Eagle Point school district boundary line. According to Phoenix school district figures, the area contains 97 school children now attending Phoenix school children and 22 high school pupils.

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The assessed valuation of \$700,000 is not the only thing involved. Removal of the 97 school children will make it difficult to proceed with a full-rounded educational program, the Phoenix representatives pointed out.

Medford school board representatives said the board is remaining neutral. School district officials and the board are not fully informed on the problem nor the back history, it was explained. Edward Branchfield, Frank C. Bash and Dr. Leonard Mayfield were included in the Medford group.

Bill Said Shaped To Meet Modern Business Matters

Salem — (UPI) — The Oregon House today unanimously passed a comprehensive commerce code designed to bring about what Rep. Edward Fadelie called "the modernization of Model T laws" that now govern businesses in Oregon.

The Eugene Democrat who carried the bill, said the uniform code was shaped to meet modern-day business problems and situations and would "assist the flow of commerce in the state."

Wide Coverage

The measure covers everything from business procedures to contracts and liens. It is the product of nationwide studies, and has been closely reviewed by the House Judiciary Committee over the past two months.

Several amendments proposed by businessmen were made.

If passed by the Senate and signed by the governor, the measure would become effective in 1963.

Driver Bill Offered

A compromise driver age bill which would give permits to drivers 16 to 18 only if they had completed a certified driver training course was introduced in the House.

Chief sponsors are Rep. Philip Lang and Sen. William Grenfell, both Portland Democrats. The measure was known to have considerable support that included House Speaker Robert Duncan of Medford.

The measure actually would encourage driver training by permitting licenses for 16-year-olds who had successfully completed a course.

Chief Objection

Failure to include this provision was one of the chief objections to an earlier bill by Rep. Ken Maher (R-Portland) who proposed to raise the age to 18 for all youngsters. Maher said his bill was aimed not only at improving the driving situation but also at removing temptations of automobiles for teen-agers.

The Lang bill also would prohibit all youngsters under 18 from driving at all between 11 p.m. and sunrise week days and 1 a.m. to sunrise week ends.

Portugal Accused Of Angola Terror

United Nations, N. Y. — (UPI) — Russia charged Portugal today with conducting a "regime of military and police terror" in African territory of Angola.

Soviet Ambassador Valerian A. Zorin, missing no opportunity to keep the African situation stirred up, told the Security Council the Portuguese are "physically eliminating and persecuting Angolan patriots."

The council was debating the procedural issue of whether to put on its agenda the question of Angola, a territory with 4.5 million people in an area almost twice the size of Texas. Portugal contends it is an integral part of its national territory, not a colony, and contests the right of the UN to intervene there.

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