

# Wet Weather to Greet Anglers On Opening Day

"Be Prepared!" That Boy Scout motto was emphasized today by the weatherman as good advice to the thousands of anglers expected to head to mountain lakes of this area over the week end for the opening days of general trout fishing season.

A cold and wet week end is forecast with showery conditions at least through Sunday. The precipitation could mean considerable snow in mountain areas, the weather bureau said. Fishermen were advised to go prepared with shovels, tire chains and proper clothing.

The bureau reported that this area may get as much as 10 inches of snow in some places at higher elevations. Snow level is expected to be as low as 2,000 feet at times.

The wet weather is expected from a "deep low," containing cold air, moving along the Oregon coast. There was heavy rain in places along the coast this morning.

State police listed most routes to the mountain lakes in condition for travel as of midday today. The route to Howard Prairie lake off Dead Indian rd. was reported "good." Police listed the routes via Dead Indian rd. to Fish Lake and Lake of the Woods, the road from Butte Falls to Willow Lake and road from the Applegate area to Squaw lakes as "ok."

Anglers were advised that the McAllister springs route to Fish Lake and Lake of the Woods is not readily passable because of construction work.

The forest service recommended travel to Fish Lake via Butte Falls or Dead Indian rd., although there may be soft spots along either road.

The Howard Prairie Recreation area will officially open to the public Saturday, and, according to Bob Johnston of Johnston stores, it will be ready for the expected influx of fishermen.

In recent days, and weeks in areas roads have been regraded and refinished and, barring heavy rains or snow, should be in good condition. The water system is operating and the restrooms are open.

A stairway has been completed from the parking lot to the new dock system. On the docks themselves, a marine service building has been erected which will serve as a headquarters for boat and motor rentals, fishing tackle, bait and marine refueling.

A temporary store building at the lake will serve as a limited grocery store and will offer canteen service. Fifteen-foot long Howard Prairie scooters are ready.

The road to the lake will be opened to cars with boats.

The state conference of the Oregon Library association will be held at the Jackson hotel April 27-29. Approximately 275 librarians from throughout the state will register for the conference from 7 to 10 p.m. Thursday in the hotel lobby.

A meeting of the executive board and an informal pre-conference coffee hour for delegates will be held in the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County at 7:30 p.m.

General sessions will be held Friday morning and afternoon, and Saturday morning. Various sections of the association will hold breakfast meetings Saturday morning.

Omar Bacon, librarian for the Public Library of Medford and Jackson County, and Miss Cora Mason, Ashland librarian, are in charge of local arrangements.

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## Bill Unfreezing Highway 42 Bonds Goes To Hatfield

### Heavy Truck Tax Bill Bogs Down

Salem — (UPI) — A bill unfreezing \$4 million in state bonds for Highway 42 reconstruction breezed through the Senate today and went to the governor.

The vote on HB1016 was 25-2 with Sens. Melvin Goode (R-Albany) and Loyd Key (D-Milton-Freewater) voting no. Sen. R. F. Chapman (D-Coos Bay) was the only speaker. He said the bill is needed because federal matching money failed to come through and the \$4 million has been frozen.

The bill releases the money regardless of the status of federal funds. The winding route between Coquille and Winston has been dubbed the worst in Oregon.

The bill to give heavy truckers a \$1 million a year tax cut bogged down in the House Committee on State and Federal Affairs. The bill, which passed the Senate under threat of a veto, got stuck on a 4-4 vote. Committee Chairman Norman Howard (D-Portland) said another try would be made to get the bill onto the floor.

Howard's committee indicated it may propose a resolution to repeal another resolution that allows legislative expenses. Although the Supreme Court upheld the measure as constitutional, there is still some feeling that the policy is risky. The snag is over legal definitions of what a legislative expense by an individual legislator encompasses.

The House voted 31-29 to recall from the Senate a resolution to enlarge the legislative and guarantee adequate representation for eastern Oregon. The measure squeaked through the House Thursday.

The Senate passed 27-1, a bill requiring the State Highway Commission to pay "just and reasonable" compensation to property owners adversely affected by relocations. The bill went to the House.

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Medford city police today are taking steps to return a 28-year-old Talent man to Medford from Sacramento, Calif., where he was arrested early this morning on a charge of forgery.

The man, James Galen Olsen, is wanted in Medford for allegedly taking more than \$250 from the safe of his employer, the E. R. Ross Service station, 402 South Central ave., April 2.

A district court warrant charging larceny by bailee has been issued here for Galen's arrest.

Police received a teletype this morning from the California Highway Patrol in Sacramento saying Galen had been arrested in that city for allegedly using stolen gasoline credit cards. The CHP said Galen has agreed to waive extradition to Oregon.

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# Kennedy Says Extent of Role in Cuban Invasion To Be Made Clear in Due Time

## Milk Producers Ask State-Regulated Prices; Bill To Go Before Legislature



EXPLAINS POSITION—Gerald T. Latham (far left), past president of the Medford Chamber of Commerce and head of the chamber's board of directors, is shown gesturing as he explained to the Medford city council last night his position on the proposed new federal building. Latham and Chamber President Bob Taylor (just out of picture at

left) both favored the civic center as the site for the \$2 1/2 million structure. Tony Manno (standing right), a member of the chamber questioned Latham's reasoning. Manno favored a site south of 10th st. between Central and Riverside avcs.

## C of C Directors Favor Changing Building's Site

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Paul Selby, former Medford city councillor and ex-chairman of the Medford planning commission, spoke in favor of the civic center location for the building. The civic center, he said, was recommended as early as 1930.

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## Home Rule Study Group Discusses Powers of County

The Jackson county home rule study committee last night discussed county powers under a proposed home rule charter.

The five committee members and six visitors met in the public library.

The committee reviewed a report by Orval Etter, research attorney with the bureau of municipal research, in which he said, "In the municipal home rule charters that Oregon cities have adopted during the last quarter of a century, general grants of power have been the preferred device for conferring powers on cities. A general grant of home rule power on a county may be patterned as follows the general grant of powers increasingly common in the charters of Oregon cities."

Residents attending seemed mainly concerned about the county government having too much power. Under a general power grant if an individual believes a grant of power is illegal, he has to go to court. Some people felt this places too much of an obligation on the individual.

The committee discussed Etter's report dealing with power of a county and drafting of a charter.

Unless the proposed charter stipulates otherwise, the county shall have authority over matters of county concern "to the full extent granted or allowed by U. S. and state laws and constitutions." Such powers would carry the same force as if they were specifically listed in a charter.

Singler then moved that the city formally protest the proposed 10th st. site for the federal building, and appoint a committee to investigate other possible sites.

Singler was overruled by the rest of the council, however, and by a 7 to 1 vote the matter was referred to the council's executive committee for further study. Mayor John W. Snider said that Congressman Durno would be informed that the council is considering the matter.

Medford Man Reports \$547 Taken from Him

Archie Wright, 69, of 1020 North Central ave., told city police last night that someone took \$547 in cash from him while he was in a local tavern yesterday evening.

Police suspect that a pickpocket may be responsible for the theft. They questioned several suspects last night and today but had made no arrests by press time.

## Legislation Said Needed To Avert 'Catastrophe'

### Bill Will Seek Minimum Price Power

Salem — (UPI) — Hundreds of milk producers asked a legislative committee Thursday night for state-regulated milk prices to counter a two-cent-a-quart drop. The committee agreed to introduce a bill containing milk control provisions.

Producers told the House Food and Dairying Committee and the Senate Agriculture Committee recent milk was marked the crumbling of long-unsteady efforts to maintain prices. They declared emergency legislation is needed to avert "catastrophe" for the industry.

The House committee said it will seek legislation giving the State Agriculture Department power to set minimum prices in milk marketing areas, based on cost of production, consumption, and supply.

In connection with price-setting the bill would let producers band together into either distributors' pools, or market area pools, with milk "quotas" to define each individual producer's share of the market.

The distributors' pool would band milk producers around each buyer, providing a quota and set price for each producer serving the same buyer. Prices could differ, however, in different distributors' pools.

The broader market-area pool would lump producers, and all distributors, in a marketing area before figuring out a single price standard and quota standard.

Either would be created or disbanded by a referendum of the producers involved.

Producers declared some control is essential if the industry is to survive. Prices recently have dropped from \$5.97 to \$4.95 a hundred-weight.

## Mental Health Clinic Bill Passes House

Salem — (UPI) — Local mental health clinics that will make new psychiatric help available to the public in many communities won 43-17 approval today from the Oregon House.

## Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE  
Los Angeles ..... 1 8 2  
Detroit ..... 9 11 1  
Cassile, Clevenger (5), Semproch (7), and Averill Mossi and Brown.

LOGGER KILLED  
Cottage Grove — (UPI) — James J. Whitted, 38, Cottage Grove, was killed in a logging accident about 15 miles southeast of here Thursday.

## City Asked To Support SP in Railroad Purchase

The Medford city council was asked last night to throw its support behind the Southern Pacific railroad in SP's efforts to gain control of the Western Pacific railroad.

Mayor John Snider asked Quayle smilingly that "if we did this could you promise that we'd have no further reduction in passenger travel?" There was no reply.

## National Safety Said To Prevent Disclosure Now

### Tough Statement of Thursday To Stand

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy promised today that the extent of his role in the recent Cuban invasion, as well as other facts in the situation, will be made clear in due time.

Kennedy said the national interest prevented him at this time from saying anything more about the situation or revealing how much encouragement he had given the anti-Castro invasion forces.

"I do not think that any useful national purpose would be served by my going further into the Cuban question this morning," Kennedy told his news conference.

He said he would stand on his tough statement of Thursday in which he warned that U.S. patience was "not inexhaustible" and said this country would act alone if necessary to block further communist penetration of the western Hemisphere.

The President was questioned specifically concerning published reports that he took the decision to continue training Cuban refugees with U.S.-provided arms and for releasing ships and fuel for launching the current operations in Cuba.

He replied: "I think that the facts of the matter involving Cuba will come out in due time. I am sure that an effort will be made to determine the facts accurately. As for me, I am confining myself to my statement for good reason."

The President said the United States is "continuing consultations with other American republics" on the Cuban situation.

Meanwhile, Cuban Premier Fidel Castro's propaganda radio broadcasts claimed the capture of 400 rebels and blamed President Kennedy as an "imbecile" afraid of Russia in the wake of this week's unsuccessful invasion of southern Cuba.

Havana radio said two U.S. destroyers covered the exile forces that landed in the Cochinchos Bay beachhead and that defenders under Castro's personal direction shot down a number of planes including a B29 superfortress and an F86 Sabre jet.

And in New York, Dr. Jose Miro Cardona, chief of the exiled anti-Castro forces, declared that the abortive invasion of Cuba was mounted without any "military aid" from the United States.

"The United States should not intervene militarily against the Castro regime," Cardona said. "I have said repeatedly that this is a Cuban fight by Cubans against Cubans."

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## WEATHER

FORECAST: Cloudy with occasional rain and wind tonight and Saturday. Snow as low as 2,000 feet at times and possibly heavy in some areas. Low tonight 35. High Saturday 50.

Highest Yesterday 56  
Lowest This Morning 43  
Prec. to 10 a.m. Today 0.02

## Our Skies Tonight

Sunset today 7:00 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 5:20 a.m.  
Moonset tomorrow 1:39 a.m.  
First Quarter Saturday  
The planet, Mars, tonight appears almost exactly halfway between the Moon and the star, Polaris. Mars is now about 118 million miles away.

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City Manager Robert A. Duff said last night that the airport improvements are needed because United Air Lines plans to use DC-6 planes in the near future, and possi-

ble improvements. Airport Manager Gil Gutjahr said this morning that an application for FAA funds is currently being prepared, but he said he anticipates that the funds will be forthcoming.

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## EOC Band Probably Sounds Better Now

La Grande — (UPI) — The following item appeared in a recent issue of The Beacon, Eastern Oregon College student newspaper.

"The Eastern Oregon College band has returned after presenting 11 concerts throughout California and Southern Oregon..."