

# SEVEN DIE IN REST HOME FIRE



ASSEMBLY OPENS—This is a general view of day. The man in the background is unidentified. The United Nations General Assembly just before the 19th regular session got under way today. (UPI)

## Planner To Confer With Officials on City's Core Area Agreement Drafted To Preserve Purity Of City's Water

Simon Eisner, a nationally famous planning consultant and an expert in urban redevelopment, will be in Medford Friday, Sept. 20, to consult with various groups about a possible redesign of the Medford core area.

Eisner is coming to Medford at the invitation of Mayor James Dunlevy's Downtown Development committee and the Medford Chamber of Commerce.

While here, Eisner will confer with certain interested groups and city officials, and will address a noon luncheon and a dinner meeting, both scheduled for North's Chuck Wagon.

Chamber Manager Don McNeil said Monday letters of invitation to the luncheon have been mailed to the county court, Medford councilmen and city officials, the planning commission and staff, the Downtown Development committee and the Capital Improvements committee.

The groups also will be invited to the evening dinner meeting, as well as downtown property owners and merchants, and the chamber committee on community development.

Eisner is a graduate architect from the University of California, is a member of the faculty of the University of Southern California and has been a visiting lecturer at Harvard University.

He is co-author of the book, "The Urban Pattern," and has written many articles on planning which have been published in planning and architectural magazines.

He has drawn master development plans for a number of California cities including Pomona, San Bernardino, Redlands, South Pasadena, Santa Monica and Palm Springs.

Eisner also has drawn recreational planning design plans for Mission Bay park, San Diego, Calif., Casper, Wyo., and Irvine Bowl park, Laguna Beach, Calif.

The consultant also has completed central business district studies in eight California communities, and has designed shopping centers in four others.

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### Library Services Cut as Defeat of Tax Bill Feared

Appling Orders Additional Savings

SALEM (UPI)—A \$122,000 cutback in state library services was ordered Monday because of the threat of defeat of the legislature's \$60 million tax increase measure.

Howell Appling Jr., said he has ordered savings and cutbacks totaling \$300,000.

The library cutback was the first major agency paring announced in the face of the special tax election Oct. 15. Voters then will decide the fate of Oregon's \$60 million income tax package.

Librarian Eloise Ebert said up to a \$200,000 cutback may be ordered after the election but that if the tax measure is not defeated the cuts would be restored.

Regardless of Outcome

Appling said \$140,600 in economies had been ordered in his department and that this would be saved regardless of the outcome of the tax election. He also said he has ordered postponement of a about \$160,000 worth of budgeted repairs, improvements, maintenance and additions to state buildings. The future of these projects depends on the outcome of the tax election, he said.

Among postponed projects are extension of the library building elevator from the third to the fourth floor, repainting of interior woodwork in the library and new lighting and ceilings in the state office building here.

Calls News Conference

Miss Ebert, who called a news conference, said effective next Monday, the library would "discontinue services to schools, colleges, universities and to students taking general extension courses."

In addition, the library will discontinue the purchase of all juvenile and fiction books. Mail reference services on genealogy pertaining to non-Oregon ancestry also will be discontinued, she said.

Miss Ebert said the library would not fill three existing clerical vacancies, and that three student workers usually hired to handle the increased fall workload would not be employed.

She said the action was ordered by the State Library board, which met Friday at La Grande.

In Line With Cut

The action "was taken by the board following a directive issued by the governor's office to bring expenditures in line with an anticipated general fund cut of 14 per cent," she said.

The library's 1962-65 general fund appropriation was about \$677,000.

She said the directive was dated Sept. 9, and that Monday she received a directive dated Sept. 13 ordering plans for a possible 25 per cent cutback.

She said the 25 per cent figure would necessitate an additional \$70,000 cutback, and indicated if such a cut were made it would be achieved through layoffs of personnel.

Jacqueline Kennedy To Visit in Greece

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy will go to Greece Oct. 2 for a two-week visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Prince and Princess Stanislas Radzwill, the White House announced today.

The First Lady's press secretary, Pamela Turnure, described the trip as "wholly private."

She said the President's 34-year-old wife will join her sister at a home the Radzwill family has rented near Athens.

Mrs. Kennedy has been recuperating at Newport, R. I., following the birth of a son, Patrick Bouvier Kennedy, who lived for only two days. The premature child was born on Aug. 7 and died on Aug. 9 at Children's hospital in Boston.

It was Mrs. Kennedy's fourth Caesarean section.

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UMBRELLA RIPPED—Two young Galveston, Texas, residents fight their wrong-side-out umbrella in winds preceding Hurricane Cindy, which had just about blown itself out before it reached the Texas-Louisiana coast. (UPI)

## Alternatives Noted If Tax Program Is Defeated Oct. 15

This is the first meeting at which there has been sentiment expressed that defeat of the Oregon tax referendum could be anything other than a mandate to cut, Tom Rigby, executive secretary of the Oregon School Boards association, told the audience gathered at the Jackson county courthouse Monday night at the regional meeting of the Oregon School Boards association.

Rigby said the association has been conducting meetings all over the state, and there have been legislators in attendance at the others. But the interpretation has always been that expressed by the governor — "defeat of the referendum will be a mandate to cut the budget."

His statement followed appraisal of the situation given by State Sen. Lyndel Newby and Rep. James Redden of Jackson county and Rep. Sidney Bazett of Josephine county. Each stated that there are alternatives.

Could Go Back to Work

"I think the legislature should go back to work if the referendum fails," Senator Newby stated. "Don't push the panic button. If we do take \$80 million out of the basic school support we are going to hurt a lot of people badly. Welfare recipients are already living on standards 10 years old. This budget doesn't have any fat in it."

Newby concluded, "I think the legislature could pass an income tax law which would raise \$30 million."

Newby said this would meet with more favor if a sales tax law could be referred at the May Primary.

Representative Bazett came out for a sales tax as the solution without hesitation.

"I think we could use a sales tax," he declared. In support of his contention, he reviewed the history of Arizona where a sales tax was passed eight years ago.

Representative Redden recalled that considerable thought was given by the legislature to different tax programs, and voiced assurance that whatever the outcome of the referendum a different tax program will be considered by the legislature at a special session or at the next regular session.

"If we cut \$60 million out of this budget we'll cripple the state in many ways," Redden declared. "There are many bad things and many good things about this legislation. I think the first tax plan of the House was better than this one. If you come out with a sales tax that will be referred, too."

Redden invited the audience to attend the meeting tonight at which further explanation of the tax program will be made by State Rep. Richard Eymann, chairman of the House Tax committee.

Oregonians To Attend Retardation Conclave

PORTLAND (UPI)—Four Oregonians have been named to attend the White House Conference on Mental Retardation opening Thursday in Warrenton, Va.

Representing Oregon will be: Dr. Gordon C. Edwards, director of preventive medical services, State Board of Health, Portland; Dr. Glen Purdon, consultant on mentally retarded children for the Department of Education, Salem; Dr. Richard L. Steeler, director of the crippled children's division of the University of Oregon Medical School, Portland, and Dr. J. H. Treleven, administrator, mental health division, State Board of Control, Salem.

## Aged Pensioners Perish as Flames Destroy Building

30 Saved; None Seriously Injured

RIGGINS, Idaho (UPI)—Seven aged pensioners, one of them 98 years old, died when fire destroyed a rest home at the tiny community of Pinehurst 14 miles south of here before dawn today.

Thirty other elderly patients, about half of them women, were helped to safety.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Heath identified the victims as Dan Stowe, Otto Korbin, Joe Bogle, John Passie, John Brodahl, Frank Roland and John Zielow.

The bodies, burned beyond recognition, were found in or near the men's beds.

Two Had Relatives

Heath said Brodahl was 98. Ages of the others were not known but all were over 75. Heath said only two of the seven had known relatives.

Some of the records of the Paradise Pines nursing home were destroyed.

Heath said the fire was discovered about 3:15 a.m. by a nurse who went into the furnace room to investigate a wall felt warm.

She found the whole room, even the ceiling, afire, she said. Nurses on duty and the manager of the home, Gary Salter, who lives nearby, helped as many patients out of the blazing single story frame building as they could before the flames got too hot for anyone to enter.

"By the time I got there at 3:30 it was going good," Heath said. "Within 30 minutes it was all burned up."

No Fire Department

There is no fire department within 25 miles of the home.

None of those who got out of the building was seriously hurt.

Heath said the patients who died apparently were overcome by smoke before they could leave their beds.

"It happened so fast they didn't have a chance to get out," Heath said. Several of those who died, as well as a number who were saved, were bedridden.

All but one wing of the building had burned to the ground before daylight and it was destroyed by the unchecked flames a short time later.

Jarrett To Speak At School Meeting

Chester W. Jarrett, who is in charge of school plant planning for the Portland General Electric company, will speak Wednesday at the meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee of Education.

H. P. Bosworth, Jr., chairman of the Medford committee, has invited all persons interested in the educational program to join committee members at the meeting, which will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the academic lecture center of the Medford High school.

Jarrett is being presented by the committee chairman as an authority on heating and lighting. He will discuss the most successful and economic means of utilizing the latest developments in heating, lighting and ventilating school buildings. He has gathered information on costs and the educational advantages of the new installations and will bring these findings to the Medford committee, Bosworth said.

Also present at the Wednesday meeting will be Delos Williams, assistant state superintendent of public instruction in charge of schoolhouse planning.

Arrival of Natural Gas To Region Is Delayed

The arrival of natural gas in southern Oregon will be delayed about six weeks, according to a progress schedule announced today by the El Paso Natural Gas company.

Originally scheduled to tie in with the California-Pacific Utilities company distribution system at Roseburg this week, the delay in El Paso's completing the main line from Eugene to Roseburg will result in rescheduling the arrival of natural gas to Oct. 6 in Roseburg.

"Although we had expected to complete the installation of our natural gas pipeline facilities on schedule during the middle of September, we must wait until the completion of El Paso's main line to actually begin serving our customers with natural gas," Lloyd E. Cooper, vice president and chief engineer of CPU, noted.

"Other communities affected by the delay will be Grants Pass, Medford and Ashland and will necessitate the rescheduling of the arrival of natural gas in these cities from Oct. 13 to Dec. 4," Cooper added.

In commenting on the delay, R. W. Harris, vice president of El Paso, said, "The contractor is doing everything possible to make rapid progress. It just seems to be a rough job as the contractor has spared no amount of money, men or equipment on this line."

"We have been advised by El Paso Natural Gas company that their construction crews are now working seven days a week in order to assure the delivery of gas by El Paso to CPU at earliest date possible," Cooper said.

## NEWS BRIEFS

ITEMS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE

ALBANIA DEMANDS SEATING OF RED CHINA

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Albania demanded today that the General Assembly at its current session take up the question of seating Communist China in place of Nationalist China.

KEY SOUTHERNER TO SUPPORT TREATY

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The nuclear test ban treaty gained support today from another key Southern Democrat when Sen. Sam J. Ervin (N.C.) announced that he would support the pact, though "without great enthusiasm."

POPE PAUL