

# Speed Breakers At Airport Approved

City of Asheville has agreed with Henderson County to place speed breakers on the runways at the old Asheville-Hendersonville Airport, Clyde S. Jackson, chairman of the Henderson County Board of Commissioners, said this morning.

Jackson said he spent a considerable portion of the day Wednesday in Asheville, discussing the problem of unauthorized and uncontrolled drag racing at the abandoned airport.

"I will be in Asheville Friday with the engineer of the City of Asheville to discuss building the speed-breakers," Jackson told The Times-News this morning.

He said construction will begin as soon as the details are worked out—almost immediately.

Residents of the Fletcher and Hoopers Creek areas have been concerned greatly about racing on the old runways, which are no longer suitable for use by aircraft.

There have been several incidents at the airport, including a knifing Sunday in the old control tower, which have the people and officials concerned.

Jackson said the speed breakers will not interfere with the operations of Stencil Aero Engineering Co., which uses the old airport for weekday testing of parachutes and pilot escape system.

An attempt was made several weeks ago by an Asheville private promoter to conduct regulated racing on one of the runways, which was approved by the Asheville City Council.

However, Henderson County officials disapproved, and since the airport is owned partly by Henderson County, partly by the City of Hendersonville and Henderson County, and partly by the City of Asheville, the proposal could not be carried out.

Enforcement of trespassing laws has been lax, owing to the

joint ownership and racers on mild Sundays have brought out hundreds of unauthorized racers and spectators to the old field.

Residents of the area want the racing stopped entirely, because of the danger not only to the racers and spectators, but because there have been complaints that residents have been run off the public roads around the airport by people who attend

the races and don't confine their high-speed driving to the runways.

Jackson said all the runways will have speed breakers installed.

The speed breakers will be bumps across the runway which can, if hit at high speed, result in considerable discomfort to the drivers, and could damage the undercarriage of the car or throw it out of control.

## Israeli-Lebanon Tension Grows

By United Press International  
The growing tension between Israel and Lebanon became a point for discussion today in the Big Four talks aimed at finding a settlement in the Middle East crisis.

Israeli officials have said Arab guerrilla infiltration from Lebanon is at an all-time high. Tel Aviv newspapers report the government has warned the Lebanese leadership to crack down or face retaliation.

U.N. Secretary General Thant called in the ambassadors of Israel and Lebanon at the United Nations Wednesday to discuss the situation and also met with U.S. Ambassador Charles W. Yost.

Yost and the ambassadors of Britain, France and the Soviet Union were meeting again this afternoon for their 29th meeting on the Arab-Israeli situation. Diplomatic sources said they certainly would discuss the situation between Israel and Lebanon.

The Israeli ambassador to the United Nations, Joseph Tekouh,

came out of his meetings with Thant Wednesday saying Israel was waiting for a reply from Lebanon on its complaint to the Security Council that 2,000 guerrillas have infiltrated Israel from Lebanese territory.

Egypt joined the diplomatic maneuvering Wednesday with a statement by Foreign Minister Mahmoud Riad that it would be willing to resume diplomatic relations with the United States if Washington pressured Israel to withdraw from occupied

## Weather

WEDNESDAY	
High	62
Low	49
6 p.m.	55
Precip.	.17
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Low last night	40
Noon today	53