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STREET NAMING PROGRAM

By Charles V. Stanton

Roseburg's city council has another "toughie" on the docket. It will hold a special meeting Monday night, starting at 7:30 o'clock, to hear a public discussion of a plan submitted by a committee appointed to work out a program for renaming city streets.

We suggest the council move its meeting to the armory. If all the people we have heard cussing and discussing the street renaming proposal attend the hearing, they certainly cannot be accommodated in the city hall.

If this hearing follows the usual pattern the council will listen only to objectors. Persons favoring systematic street naming probably won't be present, or at least, won't be nearly as aggressive in their participation as opponents. No person has a right to complain, one way or another, if he fails to attend the hearing and "speak his piece." This is a "town hall" meeting in the true American style and deserves attendance from every person either opposed or favorable to the proposal.

System of Addresses Needed

The special committee offering the proposal has worked long and diligently. It has not had an easy task. Any individual has a right to disagree with the committee's plans or name selections, but everyone should be appreciative of the time and effort given the civic project. Committee members are entitled to public thanks and appreciation, even from those who disagree with policies submitted.

No one will deny the need for some systematic method for ascertaining addresses. We have duplicate street names. We have no order in street numbering. We have a particularly hard problem because of offset and dead-end streets.

As the City of Roseburg expanded throughout the years, additions were made here and there. No governing body undertook to ascertain that streets connected properly, that uniform widths were maintained, or that provision was made for future connections. Some of our additions, for instance, were platted with a narrow strip of private ownership on three sides, so an abutting tract could not be opened in competition. Only in recent years have we had any control over the plating of subdivisions abutting or adjacent to the city. The current mess is one requiring planning before it can be corrected.

A stranger coming to Roseburg has an impossible task in trying to reach any address without help.

Must Plan For Future

The council doubtless will hear much argument based on sentimental appeal. It is hard to give up the old names, particularly those honoring respected citizens, when the proposed new name is not nearly so pleasing, as, for instance, the projected change from Lilburn to Eel, Riverside to Nyack or Alameda to Zip.

But you must consider that the Roseburg area is growing rapidly and will continue to grow. That we must bring some system and order into our street names. That the confusion resulting from changes will not be long lasting.

The committee proposes to divide the community into quadrants, with the hub at Cass and Jackson street. Names would be fixed in an orderly alphabetical pattern, starting with names of one syllable, then going to two and three-syllable titles in proportion to distance.

Objection has been heard that some proposed names lack dignity. We have no doubt but that the special committee and the city council would welcome suggestions for better sounding or more suitable names fitting the pattern.

We hope that Monday's hearing will be representative and vigorous, but that it also will be constructive and cooperative.

In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

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of the battle that is being fought over there in the Korean rice fields.

Keep this in mind: The battle IN ITSELF is unimportant except insofar as we are able to KILL MORE COMMUNISTS THAN THE COMMUNISTS CAN KILL AMERICANS.

We don't care two hoots for all of Korea, when you come right down to it. Korea, of course, has been described as "a dagger pointed at the heart of Japan" and by a trick of late Japan is now important to us in a rather big way.

But it isn't Korea we are fighting for. We're fighting over there in an effort to prove TO THE RUSSIANS IN MOSCOW that we are too tough to be safely tickled and these nine Communist divisions (stoooges of Russia) are being thrown against our lines to find out just how tough we really are.

That's the long and the short of it.

Here's a weird statement: This battle over in the rice fields which is referred to in this morning's dispatches as "a decisive battle of the Korean war" COULD BE ONE OF THE DECISIVE BATTLES OF THE WORLD!

Well, the Archbishop of York, speaking in York, England, today, says:

"A COMMUNIST VICTORY IN KOREA WOULD ENCOURAGE COMMUNISM TO BEGIN SUPREME ATTACK ON WESTERN EUROPE."

He adds: "Steady nerves, iron determination, thorough and immediate preparation for defense are essential if aggression is to be discouraged and a third World War avoided."

Meanwhile—Here on our home front—The senate of the United States refused yesterday to reduce appro-

priations for river, harbor and flood control projects. (Some river, harbor and flood control projects, of course, are good, but in general these are the kind of appropriations in which boondoggling hides.)

On the president's desk all ready for his signature, is a bill approximately doubling our social security retirement pensions.

One can't help wondering if Washington realizes that at this moment the American way of life may be facing its final and decisive test.

Organization Of Farm Bureau Of Douglas Slated

More than enough Douglas county farmers have joined the Oregon Farm Bureau federation to enable members to organize the Douglas County Farm Bureau, announced Robert S. King, area representative.

A special organizational meeting will be held in the Knights of Pythias hall on Rose street in Roseburg Monday, July 31, at 8:30 p.m. A tentative outline of the evening's program includes: announcement of Farm Bureau constitution in Douglas county; introduction of center officers; questions and answers on the Farm Bureau; why it is organized, and how the membership operates it. This discussion will be led by Marshall Swearingen, executive vice-president of the Oregon Farm Bureau federation.

There will be election of County Farm Bureau officers, and presentation of the president's handbook, the secretary and county organization records and county funds.

The East Douglas Farm Bureau center, headed by Russ Cary and Robert Findlay, will be the host center.

'Well, Well! American Deserters!'



Escapes from the MENDING BASKET

By Viannett S. Martin

The more the Brownlees talked about their trailer the more confused I became. Finally I said, "Do I understand you have two trailers?" They laughed.

"Three," said Mrs. Brownlee. "A 20-foot one we leave in Texas all the time, and use each winter. The 27-foot one we leave at home on the farm, and this 16-foot one we are using to make this trip in, because it's the handier and not so much to pull."

Trailers had never appeared very much to me—until the Brownlees visited us. Of course I don't expect we shall ever have three trailers, but I surely do wish we had one to use sometimes. Listening to the Brownlees has that effect, apparently, for our nephew to whom trailer-tripping was a new experience, declared he was going to have one as soon as ever he gets back to Texas, and "go hunting and fishing in it!"

"I wouldn't live any other way," says Mrs. Brownlee. "Half an hour, and my housework is done. And you meet such interesting people from everywhere. Some you may never see again, and some become such good friends!"

Bean Picker Need Urgent; One-Day Stand Offered

Three bean yards of this area will be open to all comers for a one-day stand Sunday, announced the Oregon State Employment office manager, George Foster.

These patches are desperately in need of pickers, in order to get ripened beans off the vines before they become culls. This is necessary to preserve the crop through the regular picking season, which will extend through August, it was announced.

The patches where the demand for pickers is acute are the H. B. Dwight field, on the Big Bend road, off Garden Valley road, one-fourth mile from the end of the pavement; the Harry Winston ranch at Winston, turn left at the first road south of the Winston bridge, and the Abner Rice ranch, on the first road to the left across the steel bridge south of Dillard.

Transportation will leave the junior high school at 7 a.m. for all persons so desiring. Those who wish to drive may do so. Families are urged to come and bring their lunches and picking containers, said Foster.

ESTATES IN PROBATE

County Judge D. N. Busenbark issued an order appointing Mrs. Bessie Vroman, widow of Ernest Vroman, as administratrix of his estate. The estate is valued at approximately \$50,000.

Vroman died intestate on July 8, leaving \$25,000 in personal property, \$20,000 real property and the remainder in cash.

Ray Porter, Minar Applegate and Harold Turpin were appointed appraisers.

J. A. Fuller was appointed administrator of the E. M. Fuller estate. Fuller died July 2, intestate.

R. E. Proctor, John Hamilton and Carl M. Felker were appointed appraisers. The will of Mary F. Andrew was admitted to probate. The order appointed Francis N. Thompson as executrix of the estate which is valued at approximately \$5,000.

Appraisers appointed were Francis Burch, D. E. Geiser, and F. E. Sylvester.

LIBRARY STORY HOUR

Story hour at 1:30 Saturday mornings is now part of the regular schedule at the Roseburg Public Library. All children of the vicinity are welcome, announced Miss Muriel Mitchell, librarian.

Mrs. Brownlee is a vivacious lady, fun to have as a guest. So her husband fun. We felt as if we had been on a holiday, instead of entertaining them, by the time they left, heading for Yellowstone. While here they re-routed the rest of their trip as casually as I'd change my mind about going to town.

No, they never have any "trouble" on the road. They did have to change a wheel one night when they were crossing the desert but they had little electric "winkers" to set in the road to warn approaching motorists.

They have been living in a trailer now for seven years. To be sure there is a room always waiting them in the big farm house they gave to a young married daughter, but "we never use it. We always use the trailer that is quite near the house. Have every convenience in it, and we can leave it and go at an hour's time. We usually go up to Minnesota or somewhere in the summer. I guess," laughed Mrs. Brownlee, "you might say we 'visit home'!"

To hear her tell it, it sounded wonderful.

Births At Mercy Hospital

LIVINGSTON—To Mr. and Mrs. Loren Lee Livingston, Sutherlin, July 25, a daughter, Elaine Joyce; weight six pounds three ounces.

McCONNELL—To Mr. and Mrs. Houston McConnell, Camas Valley, July 24, a son, Harold Darcy; weight six pounds thirteen ounces.

HULBERT—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hulbert, P. O. Box 130, Dillard, July 26, a son, David Lee; weight eight pounds one ounce.

DAVIS—To Mr. and Mrs. Orlan Charles Davis, Sutherlin, July 27, a son, Calvin Jim; weight seven pounds eight ounces.

DWIGHT—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lee Dwight, 1407 Cedar street, Roseburg, July 25, a son, Bruce Edward; weight seven pounds thirteen ounces.

LOWDEN—To Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Floyd Lowden, Umpqua, July 12, a son, David Michael; weight seven pounds.

Hobbies Of Young People Featured At Public Library

During July and August young people's hobbies and collections are being displayed at Roseburg Public Library. Drawings, plaster-of-paris figurines, stamp collections, rocks and agates, book collections and Indian relics have been exhibited by Robert Johnson, James Cook, Rex Short, Gary Cox, Jerry Low, Carol Peetz and Bradley Wiley.

Other hobbies which are to be shown in the near future include: collections of bells, dolls, salt and pepper shakers, pitchers, horses, picture postcards, rocks and drawings. Future exhibitors include Charlene Boyles, Sandra Bushey, Theresa Durand, Carmen Ford, Jack Fraundorfer, Marvin Lucien, Sandra Pearson, Bruce Phillips, Elinora Rose, Mike Thomas, Sabra Unrath and Barbara Vang.

The Indian pottery collection of Jerry Long, now on display, is attracting much attention. Other young hobbyists and collectors are invited to register at the desk, and make arrangement with Miss Armstrong for future showings.

LETTERS to the Editor

Maintenance Costs Of Rented Property Told

ROSEBURG—As one who has been in the business of renting houses for 35 years, I would like to say something about this rent cost business.

The life of the average house is about 40 years. The average cost is around \$4,200. A lot, close in, on pavement will cost \$2,000. With interest at 6 percent on investment for 40 years or \$14,880, the total invested cost would be \$21,080.

Now let's consider costs. A new paint job every six years at \$150 would total in 40 years \$900.

A new roof every 13 years, at \$175, would amount during the life of the house to \$525.

Depreciation on house and garage, based on 4 percent of \$4,200, would amount to \$7,220.

Taxes at \$49 a year would total \$1,960 in 40 years.

Insurance at \$2.46 per year would amount to \$298.40.

Other maintenance at \$25 per year for 40 years would total \$1,000.

There should be included a sinking fund to rebuild the house and garage at the end of 40 years, or \$4,200.

Not counting such things as making lawn, buying flowers, shrubs, trees, lawn mowers, paying for water for irrigation, etc., maintenance over the 40-year period amounts in all to \$37,583.40.

Now if this house were rented 10 months out of each year you would get 10 times \$37,583, or 400 months, involving \$3,758,300. This gives \$93.95 or the amount you would need to collect per month in rental to come out even. Except for 6 percent on investment, nothing would be allowed for your work.

CHARLES KYES
Roseburg, Ore.

School Budgets Draw Charge Of Extravagance

SUTHERLIN—Some of the school districts are noting that tax money is not coming in as of other years. Your paper had a story of tax delinquencies in Douglas county increasing 300 percent. Worse is coming.

In North Douglas the average farm pays a tax of \$25 to \$30 a month to the county tax collector besides gas tax, federal and excise taxes.

The best method of judging values in this pictureless world is rather thin land of hills and vales is the carrying capacity measured in sheep. On the average it takes two or three acres for one ewe, besides feed in winter and sometimes extra rations to finish the lambs. The last two or three years the cash returns from a ewe have averaged \$10 to \$12 per head gross. Thus an owner of a place with a carrying capacity of 100 ewes will have a gross income of \$1,000 to \$1,200. I find in North Douglas most farms capable of carrying 100 sheep pay a county tax of about \$300 a year; 200 ewes \$600, and so on.

Now, take a ranch carrying 400 sheep. The county tax will be about \$1,000 a year, or almost always \$300 to \$100 for each month. This owner has to keep on his feet, his buildings and either buy or raise winter feed and meet a score of other expenses.

Frankly, it is any wonder so few crops are being raised in Douglas county and the farm people are working in the woods and sawmills? Farm taxes in Douglas county are to the point of confiscation. The biggest villain in this situation is the schools especially the county rural school board, which is the responsible board for all schools outside Roseburg.

This spring the total tax levy was increased for this big county district about \$800,000, a big percentage increase. No more 10 or 15 percent.

The local boards presented very

Local News

Leave on Trip—Mr. and Mrs. J. Jarvis Robertson and son, Jimmy, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Patterson of Roseburg left today on a vacation trip. They will visit Yellowstone National park, after which the Pattersons will return to Roseburg, while the Robertsons will proceed to Minnesota to visit Mrs. Robertson's relatives.

Mrs. Haskins Home—Mrs. John L. Haskins has returned to her home at the Veterans hospital post, Calif., to attend the wedding of her nephew, and to San Marino to attend the wedding of her cousin. She also visited sisters in Corona and Upland, Calif.

Back From Trip—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Austin and daughter, Janice, have returned to Roseburg from a six-weeks trip to the middle-west and southern states. They visited relatives in Minnesota and were met there by their daughter, Mrs. James Harris, of Jacksonville, Fla. They also visited relatives in Tennessee and Texas and were accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. George Young of Arlington, Minn., who will stay in Roseburg for a few weeks before returning to their home by way of Seattle and Yellowstone park.

Return from California—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morris and daughter, Berline, have returned to their home in Roseburg, following a week in Watsonville, Calif., visiting Mrs. Morris' brother.

Visit in Roseburg—General and Mrs. F. R. Kerr of Washington, D.C., and Mr. and Mrs. Dodson of Garden City, Long Island, were overnight guests Wednesday of Dr. and Mrs. John L. Haskins. Gen. Kerr, who was guest speaker at Rotary Thursday, is assistant administrator for special services of the Veterans administration.

Home From Vacation—Mr. and Mrs. John A. Patton and daughters, Judith and Patricia, are back at their home in Roseburg, following a 10-day vacation trip to Los Angeles. They stopped in Watsonville enroute home to visit Mrs. Patton's brother. They also enjoyed a stay in the Redwoods on their return trip.

Funeral Monday—Mrs. Ida Chester, mother of A. B. Chester of Sutherlin, died Thursday, July 27 at Jacksonville, Ore., at the home of Earl Chester. Funeral services will be held Monday in Medford at 10 a.m. at the Conger Morris Funeral chapel.

'Y-Days' Sports Program At Umpqua Park Dated

"Y-Days" will be carried on next Tuesday and Thursday, according to Marlen Yoder, director of the program. Any boy of the community is invited to come out to Umpqua park from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and take part in the activities, which include softball, croquet, and volleyball. Yoder added that if the attendance builds up, some trips will be made to different businesses in Roseburg. It is suggested that each boy bring his lunch and a glove to play softball.

Vital Statistics

Divorce Suit Filed
ROENING—Marie Worden vs. Arthur George Kroening. Cruel and inhuman treatment charged. Plaintiff asks custody of one minor child and \$60 support money.

large budgets, trying to get every last cent they could. The rural board did very little pruning. As a result, the six or seven thousand minority taxpayers are faced with another exorbitant and impossible tax bill next November.

Some 35 or 40 years ago Douglas county confiscated a large percentage of the privately owned timber. Now the schools are about to confiscate the farm properties by extravagance and lavish expenditure.

W. J. MATHEWS
Sutherlin, Ore.

Proposed New Names For Streets Disapproved

ROSEBURG—I have been reading about the proposed renaming of streets. I don't like the new names and disapprove of them. If I lived on Lilburn Ave., I surely would rise up in arms to have that good name changed to Eel. Just think of it! The committee is using very poor taste in selecting names.

In most instances it would be better to leave the names as they are. If they want to change streets, avenues, drives, lanes, places, etc., that is all right. If this committee can't think of appropriate names, get a new committee. In North Roseburg it might be permissible to change the street names, but for pity's sake get names we can live with.

J. Miller
Roseburg.

Criticizes Proposal To Change Street Names

ROSEBURG—I've read a few times in your paper about renaming the streets of Roseburg. What's wrong with the names of the streets now? They are known by most of the people and have had their names a long time. In fact, just this past year the names were printed on all street corners.

It seems foolish to go to all the bother of renaming, reprinting and making new city maps. All that work when the City of Roseburg needs so many other things.

The people of the world are all confused with wars, prices, a n taxes. Why confuse the people of Roseburg with new street names.

Mrs. HOBDAV
Roseburg

Social Calendar

Sunday, July 30
Past Matrons' club of Roseburg to hold picnic for families and visiting past matrons at the G. C. Finlay home on the North Umpqua at 2 p.m.

Elgarose Comfort club will hold annual picnic at the Durch and Lucas place at 12 noon. All members and friends and especially newcomers are invited. Bring covered dish and table service.

Minnesota state society annual picnic at Jantzen Beach park in Portland.

Monday, July 31
Pythian Sisters' club to hold benefit card party at KP hall at 8 p.m. Ice tea to be served while playing cards. Canasta will be taught for beginners.

Navy Mothers to hold picnic at Umpqua park Monday, July 31. Members, past members and invited guests are welcome. Those attending are requested to bring table service.

Tuesday, August 1
Rice Valley Community club to meet in afternoon at the hall.

Roseburg Women's club annual summer picnic at 12:30 p.m. at Umpqua park. Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish, sandwiches and table service.

Melrose Grange annual picnic at Umpqua park at 7 p.m. Ice-cream and coffee to be furnished by Grange.

Roseburg chapter, American Gold Star Mothers Inc. to meet at 12 o'clock at home of president, Mrs. Olive Clarke, 842 Hoover street.

Elgarose 4-H club to meet at home of Mrs. Sand.

Wednesday, August 2
Jolly Circle club at home of Mrs. Pearl Folden. Birthday gifts to be presented Mrs. Gertrude Davis.

Roseburg Art and Embroidery club at home of Mrs. S. J. Shoemaker, East Lane street with Mrs. Alice Rhoads as hostess.

St. George's Guild Sewing group to meet at 8 p.m. at home of Mrs. J. C. Hume on Blakeley St.

Thursday, August 3
Women of Country club to meet at 12:30 luncheon at clubhouse. Contract bridge and canasta play at 1 p.m. For transportation call 1288-1.

Marion Beebe Circle of the First Baptist Church missionary society to hold potluck supper at Umpqua park.

Mid-Week Bible class of St. Paul's Lutheran church to meet at 2 p.m. at parish house with Mrs. Eva Gaston as hostess.

Olalla Busy Steppers club to meet at 1 o'clock potluck luncheon at home of Mrs. Maureen Muetzel.

Beauticians' association to meet at 8 p.m. at Umpqua Beauty shop. Entertainment to follow meeting.

Elgarose Comfort club at home of Mrs. Vern Woolen with Mrs. Hanson as co-hostess. All members and friends invited.

Friday, August 4
United Workers class of First Christian church to meet at 2 p.m. at home of Mrs. J. C. White, 441 South Pine street. Roll-call.

South Deer Creek Home Economics club at home of Mrs. Albert Karcher.

W.S.C.S. of Yoncalla Methodist church to hold an old-fashioned ice cream social at 7 p.m. Home-made ice cream will be served with cake. The children will be entertained with circle games.

Riversdale Grange to meet at 8:15 p.m. at hall for second and third degrees. Refreshments in son, Mc. and Mrs. Herman Madson and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis B. Fuller.

Saturday, August 5
Eagles auxiliary rummage sale in downstairs of Eagles hall on Cass street.

Catholic ladies rummage sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in basement of rectory on East Oak street.

OLALLA BUSY STEPPERS CLUB MEETS AT POTLUCK LUNCHEON ON THURSDAY

Olalla Busy Steppers club met Thursday for a one o'clock potluck luncheon at the lovely home of Mrs. Bertha Dossey in upper Olalla. Games, sewing and visiting were enjoyed. Prizes were awarded to Virginia Wambolt, Mary Hodges, Adda Oliviant and Nona Bassett. Others present were Junia Byron, Clemmie Prock, Maureen Muetzel, Bernice Parker, and the hostess.

The next meeting will be August 3 at the home of Maureen Muetzel.

WE'RE NUTS

... about our customers, we baby their cars, make sure to lubricate everything real careful... we're just nuts about giving you top notch service. Be a customer, won't you?

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DANESE DOAK IS COMPLETED AT BRIDAL SHOWER PARTY