

Riddle Council Outlines Proposed Improvement Program

The Riddle City Council has outlined a \$36,500 program of proposed improvements for development of the community. What's more, it says the improvements can be made without added taxes or a bond issue.

The council told correspondent Erma Best the improvements can be paid for through use of revenues on hand. But use of these funds must be approved by a vote of the citizens.

The program includes these items:

WATER SYSTEM — It is recommended that additional settling basins be provided on Russell Creek

by clearing and deepening the old reservoir site. This would provide approximately 1 1/2 million gallons of storage. Construction of herringbone drains above the intake would eliminate siltation.

The present system consists of 16 miles of water mains, a 250,000-gallon steel reservoir, a 250,000-gallon steel reservoir, 350 meters of services and water rights amounting to a daily available supply of 1,332,000 gallons. Capital investment is \$134,303.51. Annual revenue is \$27,600.

The council has also discussed the possibility of having the Russell Creek watershed above the protection of waters. The matter has been discussed with the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management which own 2,360 acres of the area and the C

and D Lumber Co. which has 640 acres. Federal authorities must be convinced the move is for the community welfare before any steps can be taken in that direction, Mrs. Best reports.

Mrs. Best was told that present facilities are inadequate for industrial use of city water and needed fire protection. Estimated cost of the improvements is \$13,000.

EQUIPMENT STORAGE — The council reports the city is in dire need of an equipment repair shop, storeroom for supplies and equipment shed to house the city trucks and graded. Cost is estimated at \$6,000.

STREET IMPROVEMENT — The city has made formal application to the Oregon State Highway Commission for an allocation of \$15,000 from a \$25,000 fund allocated by the state to cities of less than

5,000 population application calls for improvement of South Main Street from Fourth to the north end of the steel bridge over Cow Creek. Estimated cost of this improvement is \$20,000. It provides for a 60-foot street with adequate drainage, curbs, gutters and paving. The city's share would be \$5,000.

JAIL EXPANSION — Only one jail cell is available now in Riddle. It is considered essential that provision be made for a women's cell at an estimated cost of \$1,000.

COMPLETION OF CITY HALL — The new administration building is 75 per cent complete. Funds are needed to complete and equip the building. Needed are: Complete second-story room for use of the fire department; finish exterior painting; window awnings, planting boxes and sidewalks to entrance, office linoleum, office and chamber furniture. Estimated cost \$5,000.

An additional \$2,000 is deemed necessary to aid the city administration in removing condemned buildings owners fail to remove.

The amounts needed for these projects is \$36,500. The treasurer's report showed that this month \$22,834.31 remained in the water fund, \$933.37 in the state street fund and \$14,925.75 in the general fund. This is a total of \$38,713.43.

Operating since July have exceeded the budget by \$2,100, but the labor force has been reduced so the city can operate for the remainder of the fiscal year on a balanced budget. It is estimated that revenues received through the rest of the year will meet all expenses and bond retirement schedules.

Note by the people will be necessary on the improvement program, however, because funds must be used as they are earmarked in the budget, unless voters decide otherwise.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"Sort of sharing ward off the cold—he's bald!"

Queen Elizabeth Royally Welcomed

Lagos, Nigeria — Queen Elizabeth II — first British sovereign to visit this century-old crown colony — landed here Saturday amid jubilant shouts of welcome for a 20-day ceremonial visit.

The young sovereign and the Duke of Edinburgh rode 11 miles to the city from Lagos Airport past masses of cheering Nigerians.

The visitors sat in an open car under a cream-colored umbrella with tassels. They waved constantly during the slow ride to Government House, where they will stay during their visit.

There were stirring demonstrations as the procession moved through the throngs.

Tribesmen who traveled to La-

gos from the deep bush country beat drums. The queen was told their message in their own language meant "welcome."

In the welcoming group was one federal minister wearing a straw hat with long purple and yellow-green feathers and a robe with a purple and gold train which trailed in the dust five yards behind him.

SIGN AGREEMENT — BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Yugoslavia and Russia signed an agreement Saturday on use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes. Russia will deliver to Yugoslavia an atomic reactor and supply the raw material, a communiqué said.

Colorful

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Brownish purple
- 5 Shade of green
- 9 The white and blue
- 12 Goddess of discord
- 13 Fruit drinks
- 14 Expire
- 17 Wintry precipitation
- 19 Studio
- 21 Rave
- 23 Ocean
- 24 — and reel
- 27 Falsified
- 29 Solar disk
- 32 Peaceful
- 34 Repair shoes
- 36 Mechanism
- 37 Opposed
- 38 Narrow cut
- 39 Italian capital
- 41 Unhappy
- 42 Beverage
- 44 Pealed
- 46 Eddied
- 49 Exhaling place
- 53 Also
- 54 Cherished
- 56 Sea eagle
- 57 Mincled oath
- 58 Glacial ice
- 59 Fowl-like part
- 60 Part in play
- 61 One of two

DOWN

- 1 Enclosures
- 2 River in Soviet Russia
- 3 Quote
- 4 Natural fat

5 Girl's nickname

6 Think

7 For fear that

8 Worms

9 Heating device

10 City in Pennsylvania

11 Horned ruminant

16 Slanted type

20 Rent

22 More pleasant

24 Freezes

25 Soviet city

28 Prayers

43 Change

45 Haggard

30 Party-giver

31 Require

33 Saltwater

35 Happenings

40 Trial

48 Change

52 Paradise

46 Pace

47 Had on

48 Therefore

50 Sleep

51 Son of Jacob

(Bib.)

52 Paradise

55 Fruit drink

Today and Tomorrow

MONDAY — January 30

TUESDAY — JAN. 31

Roseburg Council of Camp Fire Girls annual dinner at the Elks Ballroom at 6:30 p.m.

Mercy Hospital Auxiliary quarterly session postponed to Feb. 6 to be held at cafeteria at Mercy Hospital at 8 p.m.

Riddle budget board meeting.

Roseburg City Council committee of the whole meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council chambers.

Kalico Kickers Klub will dance at Preschorn Barn, 8 p.m. Les and Vi Spencer, directors.

Green EU Evergreen Grange at 9 a.m. for lamp shade making lessons.

Knights of Pythias and Pythian Sisters to hold a fashioned pie social at hall, 8 p.m.

Roseburg Chamber of Commerce noon forum at Hotel Umpqua.

Sutherland Tillicum Bridge Club at home of Mrs. Frank McCord.

Jolly 4-H Cooking Club to meet.

Myrtle Creek school district budget board meeting.

SOC Mothers Club at home of Mrs. James Conn in Melrose at 8 p.m.

Pythian Sisters and degree staff officers practice at 8 p.m. at Pythian Hall.

Doug-ette's Sheriffs Mounted Patrol, at fairgrounds, 7:30 p.m.

Duplicate bridge group at 7:30 p.m. at Elks Temple. Open to all bridge players whether Elks or not.

Eagles Auxiliary at 8 p.m. at former Moose Hall.

Roseburg Toastmasters Club at 6:30 p.m. dinner at Hotel Umpqua. Guests welcome.

Roseburg Kiwanis at noon in the Civic Room of Hotel Umpqua.

American Legion Auxiliary square dance class at VA Hospital, 2:15 p.m., Curley Reynolds, caller. All ladies invited.

Associated Volunteers card party from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in music room of the recreation building at VA Hospital. Ladies invited.

Buckaroo Square Dance Club beginners classes at 8 p.m. at barn. Curley Reynolds in charge. For information call Mrs. Leroy LaFon.

Big Ford Plant Damage May Run Into Millions

LONG BEACH, Calif. — Damage was counted in million-dollar figures today from flood, explosion and fire that racked Ford's big West Coast assembly plant here turning the area into a floating inferno.

R. C. Armour, plant manager, estimated three million dollars worth of parts alone were damaged Friday but said full loss at the huge installation has not been determined.

Firemen, sometimes wading waist deep in the fire-coated water, fought the flames five hours while fireboats played hoses on the blaze.

Four men were injured but not seriously.

Armour said the plant would be out of operation at least two months. Only a few of the 1,800 employees were present at the time of the explosion.

Weakened by this week's storm that dumped more than six inches of rain, huge dikes collapsed flooding the 72-acre factory area with oil-slick water.

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Huge California Operation Sold To Simpson Co.

EUREKA, Calif. — Imminent sale of the Northern Redwood Lumber Co. at Korb, Calif., to the Simpson Timber Co. of Seattle and Shelton has been announced.

C. G. Price, president of the Korb concern, said that, subject to stockholders' approval, the properties would be transferred to Simpson by March 1.

The sale price was not announced, but unofficial reports placed it in the neighborhood of 11 million dollars.

Simpson is one of the pioneer Washington operators. It has a large logging operation on the Olympic Peninsula, mills in Shelton and McCleary, Wash., a headquarters office in Seattle and extensive Northern California operations.

The sale involves a sawmill, planing mill and railroad at Korb, employing 250 people, and about 33,000 acres of mature timber and cutover lands in Humboldt County and Korb is 12 miles east of the Simpson Redwood Co. operations at Arcata. Chief, Northern Redwood has operated at Korb since 1883.

Price said Simpson is interested in the second growth fir and redwood on the timberlands. They fit in with the firm's long-range, sustained-yield objectives in Northern California.

Sigma Phi Says Chapter Forfeited Affiliation

WILLIAMSTOWN, Mass. — The National Sigma Phi fraternity has severed its Williams College chapter of forfeiting its affiliation by pledging two unidentified Negro students.

The national body, a resolution of the Williams chapter, in a resolution, of pledging "two men of obviously controversial character irrespective of any individual merits."

The resolution was passed by the standing and advisory committee, which said it "strongly condemns" the chapter action "as a selfish and irresponsible act without regard for the interest of society as a whole."

Talent School To Bar All Married Students

ASHLAND, Ore. — Talent High School pupils who marry will be suspended from school, school board members decided at a recent meeting.

The board noted that an "increasing number of high school students has married with the intention of finishing school."

"Most of these young people are not ready to assume the responsibilities of marriage and also in regular attendance at school and there are other problems which directly or indirectly involve the school," said Roy B. Barr, superintendent.

He said that all students who marry before graduation will be suspended immediately. These students may apply for re-admission, however.



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