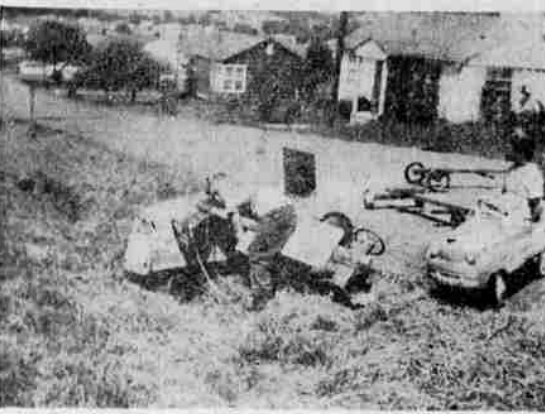


MONEY SOUGHT FOR HIGHWAYS IN DOUGLAS

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR By Paul Jenkins



THE TWO BOYS in the soap box spill above are Larry Ding and Charles Jones, both living on Currier street north of Roseburg. The shot was taken by one of their playmates with a camera owned by Edna Richardson of No. 158, some street.

Forty children of school age live on Currier, I am told, and I reckon somewhere around half of them are boys. These boys like Edna Richardson and Edna likes them. An invalid, she is confined to a wheel chair. The boys do all kinds of chores for her, largely gratis, including the planting, growing and harvesting of a considerable vegetable garden.

Born some three score years ago in a Montana mining community, and having traveled since over most of the seven seas as a stewardess on the Dollar Steamship Line, Edna finally has dropped anchor in Douglas County. She has sane (and decided) views on most subjects, including juvenile delinquency. "Delinquents indeed!" she snorts. "Children, particularly boys, need proper guidance to become good citizens, inasmuch as most of us are born wild Indians at heart. In my small way, and working on other peoples' children at that, I try to help in giving this guidance to them. I like children!"

One of her pet projects at the present moment, which she isn't financially able to accomplish by herself, is to obtain a lot of small wheels which her young friends need in order to build their soap box "cars," not only to race in the derby, but to have a whole lot of good wholesome fun in between derbies. I think I know where I can score up a couple or so-how about you?

Forest Service Fights Lightning-Caused Fires

Four spot fires in the Umpqua National Forest were reported after Thursday night's lightning storm.

The fires were expected to be controlled Friday, forest service officials said.

Two of the fires broke out in the Diamond Lake Ranger District, one was in the North Umpqua district and one was reported on the South Umpqua district above Tiller. The latter was on a cut over area. The other three were believed to be in green timber.

Lightning Thursday night was blamed for starting two forest fires in the area west of Glendale.

Douglas Forest Protective Assoc. fire crews were extinguishing the two blazes Friday. One was confined to about a quarter of an acre, DFFA spokesmen said. The size of the other fire was not known.

5 Salem Men Rescued After Boat Capsizes

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP)—The Coast Guard rescued five Salem fishermen after a wave capsized their boat in the ocean off Newport Thursday.

A Coast Guard lookout was watching when a breaker caught their boat broadside. A rescue boat reached them eight minutes later. All were wearing life jackets, and four were clinging to the overturned boat. The other had drifted 150 feet away.

The five, who had gone to the coast for a day of fishing, were: Robert Blegen, Royce Linhard, James Stilson, Bertram Iverson and Dean Hagelstrom.

The Coast Guard towed their boat in, although their outboard engine and fishing gear were lost.

Weinberger Kidnapping Case Still Lacks Clue

WESTBURY, N. Y. (AP)—Today is the ninth day since 5-week-old Peter Weinberger was kidnapped. Basically, there is nothing new in the situation. The heart-rending personal tragedy of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Weinberger continues.

Each time the telephone rings in their home they hope against hope that this time it will be the real kidnaper, with news of their baby and how they can get him back.

With deadly frequency, however, it is some misguided crackpot or sadistic joker who pretends he knows where the child is and cruelly raises the Weinbergers' hopes.

CHILD STEALING CHARGED

A 31-year-old Winchester logger, Carlton T. Williams, has been lodged in Douglas County jail on a fugitive's warrant from Arizona charging child stealing. Williams is being held for Arizona authorities. Bail was set at \$1,000.

The Weather

Cloudy Saturday morning, otherwise partly sunny Saturday.
Highest temp. last 24 hours 83
Lowest temp. last 24 hours 40
Highest temp. any July 109
Lowest temp. any July 40
Precip. last 24 hours 0
Precip. from July 1 0
Precip. from July 1 50.14
Excess from Sept. 19.91
Sunset tonight, 7:53 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow, 4:45 a.m.

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Moore Home Gift Nearer

House Group Joins Senators With Okay

Formal Conveyance To Roseburg Awaits Decision By Congress

The U.S. House of Representatives Government Operations Committee has okayed a bill which would convey title to the Lillie Moore house and its contents to the City of Roseburg.

Rep. Harris Ellsworth telegraphed that information Thursday to Mrs. V. J. Micelli, president of the Douglas County Historical Society.

The bill, as amended by the House committee, is similar to one approved Wednesday by the committee's counterpart in the Senate.

The historical society stands to gain because the Roseburg City Council has committed itself to giving the house and contents to the society. It is anticipated that the society will move the 1 1/2-story frame house, which dates back to territorial times, to the City Library park on Rose Street. It will be used as a museum, according to present plans.

Ellsworth told Mrs. Micelli that the committee report favors the amended bill "so as to donate house and contents to the Douglas County Historical Society through conveyance to the city."

Both the House and Senate committees left donation of three lots

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New Principal



JOHN B. COX
...DHS principal

The new principal of Douglas High School is John B. Cox, 40, District 116 School Superintendent William Bromley announced this week.

Cox is presently attending summer sessions at Oregon State College and will take over his new position when school is out at Corvallis, Bromley said. Cox succeeds David Potter, who resigned following the 1955-56 school year to enter private business.

The new principal has had 16 years experience in the education field. For the past six years he has been district school superintendent at Mapleton, Iowa. A graduate of Northwest Missouri State Teachers College, he received his master's degree in 1950 from the University of Iowa.

He will be no stranger to the Northwest, however. He spent part of his three-year stint in the Army stationed at Fort Lewis and in Vancouver, Wash.

A member of the Methodist Church, the Masonic Lodge and the American Legion, Cox is married and has three children.

Master Units Timber Sales Being Planned

Priority To Be Given Tracts Killed By Fire Or Ravaged By Insects

Plans are now being made by the Roseburg office of the Bureau of Land Management for sale of timber in the Douglas Master Unit and the South Umpqua Master Unit during 1957.

Priority for the sales will be given to fire-killed, windthrown and beetle infested timber, according to an announcement from the office.

The District Forester has invited interested parties to submit suggestions of timber to be included in the timber sale plan as selecting tracts of interest to bidders is one of the considerations.

The release of such a plan notifies the prospective bidders well in advance so that all who wish to do so may participate in the bidding.

Operators who wish to suggest such tracts have been asked to contact the District Forester's office in the Marion Building, 744 SE Jackson St., as soon as possible. Deadline for suggestions is Aug. 15.

The approximate volume budgeted for sale in this district includes 106.3 million board feet in the Douglas Master Unit and 25.5 million feet in the South Umpqua unit.

Plans for the sales are prepared by the office on the basis of the available cut under sustained yield

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Oakland Adopts School Budget In Second Vote

Only one school district in the county is now without a budget. An election Thursday at Oakland resulted in approval of the school district's budget of \$63,238 outside the 6 per cent limitation. The budget had been turned down last month.

The budget carried by a vote of 143 to 130, according to correspondent Mrs. Edith Dunn.

The only budget still undetermined is that of Camas Valley, which was defeated a second time Wednesday. It will be voted on again Aug. 3.

Meanwhile, another school matter was being voted on today in the Tiller - Days Creek area. The two districts have called for a vote on consolidation of the two districts.

The polls will be open at the schools from 2 to 8 p.m.

On Wednesday, the Days Creek budget amount of \$15,843 outside the 6 per cent limitation was approved by a vote of 77 to 26. Also approved was the Tiller budget by a vote of 51 to 26. In both areas, it was the biggest vote in the history of the districts.

A tract of 6,300,000 board feet of timber in the South Umpqua Ranger District, 15 miles northeast of Tiller, was sold to Umpqua Plywood Corp., Myrtle Creek, for \$184,665. The timber, on 126 acres, was appraised at \$167,765. It included 5,300,000 board feet of Douglas fir at \$24.25, 800,000 feet of sugar pine at \$24.85 and 300,000 feet of minor species at \$5.95.

The Myrtle Creek firm bid \$27.50 on the Douglas fir and the appraised price on the others. Fuller Brothers of Days Creek was the only other bidder.

Douglas Forest Acreage Classification Scaled

SALEM (AP)—Classification of some 18,176 acres of forest lands in six Western Oregon counties under the forest fee and yield tax act has been ordered by the state Tax Commission.

Acreages involved in the shift include Clackamas 3,175, Columbia 4,261, Douglas 2,919, Marion 3,346, Washington 2,124 and Yamhill 2,048.

These lands are placed on a special assessment roll as of July 1 and will be subject to an annual forest fee of five cents an acre and a 12 1/2 per cent yield tax.

They were reported to have alarmed high Defense Department officials. The result was an order to put strategic planning "on ice" until after the election.

Who gave the stop order was not learned but it was assumed that it was either Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson or Reuben B. Robertson Jr., his deputy.

The Army reportedly was bracing itself for a possible cut of \$6,000 to 100,000 men in the fiscal year 1958 which starts next July 1, and it was estimated that such a reduction would mean the withdrawal of 40,000 men from overseas bases.

US Economy Put First

The Times said sources familiar with Radford's concept and views summarized his proposals in this way:

Protection of the nation's economy is an overriding requirement and the defense budget in 1960



AWAIT HEARING—The three men above are awaiting preliminary hearings in Douglas County District Court on charges of assault while armed with a dangerous weapon. All are being held in the county jail, each under \$2,500 bail. They were identified by Sheriff Ira C. Byrd from left to right as: Marion N. Harris, 26, of Roseburg; Lester LaBonte, 23, of Glendale; and James Howard Eaves, 27, of Roseburg. They are charged with beating and robbing George Joseph Altschaff, 29, of Artesia, Calif. Involved also is a threat with a knife. (Paul Jenkins).

Friday 13th Jinx Debunked By Noggin Twist Authority

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—You are convinced that today, Friday the 13th will be an unlucky day?

Then watch out, says a Rutgers University sociologist. You may "tighten up" so much you'll be dangerous to yourself.

Dr. Joseph B. Maier, assistant professor of sociology at the Rutgers Newark College of Arts and Sciences, said today that the evil attributed to some magical beliefs and practices actually may be brought about by persons who believe in them.

"Think of unlucky days, magic opened indoors, knocking on wood, and the like," he said, "and you cannot escape the impression that modern society is not so far removed from beliefs in other than natural causes. The business about Friday the 13th is, of course, bosh."

"But what the sociologist cannot overlook is the fact that lots

of people believe in and act on that bosh. To people who are superstitious, this is a serious matter. So serious that they tend to be voracious, tighten up and actually may be dangerous to themselves."

Dr. Maier said some people believe the Friday the 13th jinx began at the time of the crucifixion, which took place on a Friday after Christ met with his 12 disciples. There were 13 in the room.

U.S. Spurns Nuclear Ban Pending Safeguards

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y. (AP)—The United States firmly rejected Soviet-supported proposals by India and Yugoslavia for a ban on experimental explosions of nuclear weapons Friday.

Ambassador James J. Wadsworth told the U.N.'s 12-member Disarmament Commission such testing will continue until an international agreement can be reached establishing safeguards against the possible use of these weapons.

In the absence of such an agreement, Wadsworth said, "the United States considers the testing of nuclear weapons as essential for our own defense and for the safety of our friends."

At the same time the U.S. delegate said:

"We shall continue to work for an agreement in which the limitation of tests would be an integral part and we will do everything we can to assure that radiation will not rise above tolerable levels."

State Fish Commission Names New Director

PORTLAND (AP)—Milton C. James, 59, research coordinator for the Pacific Marine Fisheries Commission here, will become state director for the Oregon Fish Commission Aug. 1.

He will succeed M. T. Hoy, who after 33 years with the commission, is being assigned other duties.

The state Fish Commission announced the appointment Thursday. James, a graduate of the University of Washington, formerly was a member of the International Halibut Commission and Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission. He also held fisheries posts with the federal government.

New Municipal Airport Manager Coming Monday

Bud C. Darling, the City Council's choice to manage the Roseburg Municipal Airport, will be here Monday to discuss a lease with the city, according to City Manager George Farrell.

Darling, formerly a Troutdale crop-dusting operator, was chosen by the Council last month to replace Shirley Wardle, whose lease at the airport terminated.

Farrell said the firm has been in the city several times during the past few days to inspect airport facilities.

Loggers Hospitalized From Work Injuries

Two local men who were injured in logging accidents Thursday were reported in improved condition Friday at Douglas Community Hospital.

Hyde, 34, Sutherlin, was being treated for fractured ribs and back injuries. Hyde works for the J. D. Pfaff Logging Co.

Alfred Benson, 31, received back and shoulder injuries in a logging accident at the George Logging Co., Glendale.

Group Goes To Salem To Urge Aid

Federal Fund Allotted To State Spurs Action For Needed Projects

A delegation of Douglas County government and civic officials, spurred by the prospect of big federal aid money coming into the state, today were in Salem to plead for construction of three major highway projects.

The projects are: The four-lane bridge over the South Umpqua to replace the present Oak Avenue Bridge in Roseburg; the Rowe-Stephens Street one-way couplet; and surfacing one section of the North Umpqua Highway and grading of a second section.

The bridge and couplet both are part of the recommendations of State Highway Commission engineers, who completed a traffic and street survey in Roseburg in 1954.

The North Umpqua Highway work is part of a long-standing battle by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce and Douglas County Court to complete a highway across the Cascade mountains from central Douglas County to Diamond Lake and Highway 97.

The delegation was to contact the Highway Commission, which is meeting in Portland this week on highway matters. County Judge Carl C. Hill, Commissioners W. T. Evans and Frank Ashley, Mayor Ernest M. Barker Jr., City Man-

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Highway Board Opens Bids On Jobs In Douglas

Bids on four highway projects in Douglas County were opened Thursday by the Oregon Highway Commission at its meeting in Portland. Two of the projects are to correct slide areas.

Henry H. Miller, Roseburg, was awarded the contract on a project to correct a slide area on Pacific Highway 18 miles south of Cottage Grove. He bid \$11,398.

He was also the apparent low bidder for the second slide correction job on the Umpqua Highway between Reedsport and Dea Creek. The bid was \$30,733.

The other two projects both involve the Pacific Highway near Roseburg. The first is to install 19,000 feet of guardrail five miles south of the city. Vera Hoaglin, Beaverton, was the apparent low bidder at \$46,935.

Ernest Ferrante & Co. was the apparent low bidder on the second project which is to install an automatic irrigation system, plant trees, shrubs, vines and grass along the highway near Roseburg. The Portland firm's bid was \$22,235.

Meanwhile, C. R. O'Neal of Creswell was awarded a contract to grade and pave .38 mile of Pacific Highway 13 miles north of Grants Pass. His bid was \$170,311.

Charge Of Assaulting Boy With Gun Faced

A 23-year-old Roseburg man, Lauren Wilbur Koch, Hartz Trailer Court, was arraigned in district court Thursday on a charge of assault and battery by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury.

Complainant Wilma Holmes, Roseburg, said he beat up Jerry Holmes, 17, July 3, by hitting him with a revolver. She said the youth suffered facial cuts.

Lauren Koch's preliminary hearing has been set for Monday at 4 p.m. He was lodged in county jail. Bail was set at \$1,000. He was arrested by state police and sheriff's deputies.

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Levy Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

C-ling all prophets of gloom: Heavily increased tax collections, plus others still to accrue this year, indicate that the State of Oregon will have an estimated surplus of \$21 million at the end of the biennium next July 1, instead of a predicted big deficit. Cheerful news for Friday the 13th.

Meat Cutters Get Pay Hike, Welfare System

THE DALLES (AP)—Meat cutters here and at Hood River will get a pay increase and health and welfare benefits under an agreement reached here Thursday between union representatives and market operators.

The new contract, effective July 15 and running to September 1, 1958, is subject to approval by the 45 meat cutters affected, but union officials said they would recommend acceptance.

The agreement calls for \$91 for a 44-hour week until July 1, 1957. Then the work week will be reduced to 42 hours with the same pay. Starting Jan. 1, 1958, the meat cutters will receive \$92 for a 40-hour week.

Employers will also contribute \$10.40 a month to a health and welfare fund.

Meat cutters now receive \$91 for a 48-hour week.

The agreement was reached at a meeting with Federal Mediator George Walker, Portland.

Damaging Windstorm Lashes Oklahoma Towns

A violent windstorm struck the Oklahoma Panhandle late yesterday, causing damage in North Miami and Commerce. A 75-year-old woman and a 14-year-old girl were injured.

The highway patrol said the winds reached velocities of 75 m.p.h. At least half a dozen homes in North Miami, a town of 500, were severely damaged. Both injuries occurred in North Miami.

Trees and telephone lines were felled in Commerce, a town of about 1,500 and the home of Mickey Mantle New York Yankee outfielder.

ALASKAN WOODS AFIRE

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)—A rekindled forest fire near the Yukon River village of Nulato in Western Alaska raged unchecked Friday.

Forestry Service observers estimated it already had blackened 78,000 acres, an increase of 18,000 acres in a week. Fire fighting crews were being readied to head for the scene as soon as the blaze became accessible by boat or plane.

Red Cross Chapter Chooses New Heads At Annual Meet

Al Flegel was unanimously elected chairman of the Douglas County Chapter of the American Red Cross Thursday evening at the 39th annual meeting of the chapter.

He will succeed Sheriff Ira C. Byrd in the office.

Other officers elected for the coming year include Del Durham, first vice chairman; Walter Barker, second vice chairman; Mrs. E. R. Walton, treasurer and Mrs. Leonard Riley, recording secretary.

Harry Butler was named director for one year. Three year directors are Mrs. Jack Cummins, Mrs. Ward Raymond, Mrs. Harold Hoyt, Mrs. Riley, Leon Bates, Judge Charles Woodruff, J. Clifford Baxter, William Brinkley, Dr. John St. Pierre, Dick Schultz, Dr. J. M. Hutson, Don Kelley, Walter Barker, Robert Allen, Stan Olson, Fred Lockwood and Sheriff Byrd.

The elections were held following the annual meeting.

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Elks Lodge Expands Its Recreational Projects

A project which originally aimed at improving the picnic area near the Elks and Gun club on the North Umpqua River has branched out into a community-benefit project.

The Roseburg Elks lodge is spending about \$3,000 on the project. Donors include Roseburg Lumber, Nordic Plywood, Umpqua Plywood, Hub Lumber, Round Prairie Lumber, Hult Lumber, Green Valley Lumber, Joelson Lumber, Evans Products, Douglas County Lumber, Ideal Cement Co., Moore Steel, Gersten Supply Co., Sam Crites and Co., Copco employees and Roseburg Shingle Mill.

Work involved in the area included leveling and clearing land, eradicating poison oak, installing 60 new tables and several fireplaces, and building a springboard and life raft.

It is expected that the work will be completed by Sunday in time for the 60th annual Elks picnic which is expected to attract nearly 2,500 persons.

Several Roseburg business firms have donated materials for the work. Donors include Roseburg Lumber, Nordic Plywood, Umpqua Plywood, Hub Lumber, Round Prairie Lumber, Hult Lumber, Green Valley Lumber, Joelson Lumber, Evans Products, Douglas County Lumber, Ideal Cement Co., Moore Steel, Gersten Supply Co., Sam Crites and Co., Copco employees and Roseburg Shingle Mill.

FORGERY CHARGED

A former Malheur County resident, Walter Wayne Wade, 21, of Elkton, was arrested by state police 44 miles up Smith River on a warrant charging forgery and knowingly uttering and publishing false bank checks. The warrants were issued by Malheur County authorities.

Wade, a construction worker, posted a \$1,000 bail bond in Eugene. A trial date has not been set. Wade was lodged in Reedsport city jail, following his arrest.

Shoplifting Mother Gets Suspended Penalty

A young mother of two, who pleaded guilty earlier this week in district court to a charge of larceny of personal property under \$75, received a suspended sentence of one year Thursday and some advice from District Judge Warren Woodruff.

Judge Woodruff talked for some time to Mrs. Fred Florence Williams of 1129 NE Crescent St. He reminded her that mothers should not be common thieves. Mrs. Williams is on probation under the supervision of the State Board of Parole and Probation.

She admitted shoplifting small items from two Roseburg stores when she appeared in district court Tuesday.

Myrtle Creek Burglary Under Investigation

Theft of \$73.50 in coins from the Super Y Market in Myrtle Creek late Wednesday evening is being investigated by Myrtle Creek police and the Douglas County sheriff's office.

The burglary is believed to have occurred about 11 p.m., according to a sheriff's deputy. Myrtle Creek Chief of Police James Haun was called to the market Thursday after the theft was discovered. Entry into the market was made through a rear window which had been left partly open, the deputy said.

The theft was known when the coins which had been in a box under the counter were found missing. Taken were nine rolls of nickels, one roll of half dollars, one roll of quarters, two rolls of dimes, nine rolls of pennies and \$25 in loose change.

Albert G. Flegel
...Red Cross chairman

