

Oakland Church Circle Discusses Its Projects

Projects for the year were discussed at the last meeting of the Harriet-Rosa Circle of the Oakland Community Presbyterian Church, reports correspondent Edith Dunn. It was decided to send out birthday aprons again and to make articles for the annual bazaar. Also discussed was the Feb. 28 and March 1 meetings of the presbyterial committees at which the circle will help serve meals. Mrs. Guy Pealer read an article on the meaning of the church. And Mrs. Edith Dunn was feted in observance of her birthday. She received a number of gifts. Eight women were present and hostess Mrs. Ruth Bunch served refreshments.

Cos Power Development To Be Told To Foresters

Deskin O. Bergey, Cos Bay, district manager for Pacific Power and Light Co., Friday night will describe the company's plan for power development in Cos County to the Umpqua-Cowquille chapter of the Society of American Foresters. The meeting will be in the Tioja Hotel ballroom at Cos Bay. Bergey and another company representative, C. R. Davenport will speak on how company plans relate to the forest industry. They will discuss their company's explorations for water in the Cos Bay sand dune area and the Eden Ridge power project, in which it is planned to supplement hydroelectric power production by steam production fed by coal mined in Cos County near the Douglas line.

Ore. House Overwhelming In Turndown Of Sales Tax

By PAUL W. HARVEY JR.

SALEM, Ore. — A 3 per cent sales tax bill went down Wednesday to a thundering 32-4 defeat in Oregon's House of Representatives. Now, the only chance that the Legislature has of raising up to 100 million dollars in new revenue lies in increasing income taxes. The vote in the Democrat-controlled House came after two Republican attempts to postpone consideration of the bill. The first test came on a motion to send it back to the Taxation Committee, which had recommended 6-3 that the bill be killed. This motion failed 31-25. Opposing the motion were 31 Democrats, and supporting it were 21 Republicans and 4 Democrats. The next Republican move was to postpone further consideration until Feb. 15, but this was defeated 38-18. The sales tax measure was prepared by the Republican-controlled Legislative Interim Committee on Taxation. It would have been referred to the people at a special election next April 19. The people have defeated sales tax measures six times, the last time being in 1947. Voting for the bill were Reps. Edwin E. Cone, Eugene; Wayne R. Giesy, Monroe; Graham Kilham, Portland; and E. A. Littrell, Medford. All are Republicans. The entire debate lasted 70 minutes, during which Democrats argued that the sales tax was unfair

and that it wouldn't stand a chance of approval by the people. Most of the Republican argument was a plea for delay, so that all forms of revenue-raising bills could be considered together. Rep. Richard Eymann (D), Mohawk, argued that the Taxation Committee knows the bill wouldn't have a chance, so "we need to clear the air and decide which way to go." He objected that a sales tax would open the door to increased spending, and said "We can write an income tax program that will do the job that this sales tax package would do." Rep. Fayette I. Bristol (R), Grants Pass, making the motion to send the bill back to committee, declared that the committee should consider a sales tax along with income tax increases. The committee's chairman, Rep. Clarence Barton (D), Cos Bay, argued that "A sales tax is the most vicious and repressive form of taxation that could be devised." In answer to a question, Barton said he couldn't promise that there wouldn't be a state property tax in the next biennium, but that he hopes there won't. Oregon hasn't had a state property tax since 1940 because there have been sufficient income tax revenues to make one unnecessary. But if the Legislature doesn't levy enough income or other taxes to pay the state's bills, then a state property tax would be levied automatically, without action of the Legislature. Rep. Charles A. Tom (R), Rufus, opposed the sales tax, but he warned "You will find yourselves in a lot of trouble if you try to get all of the extra money out of the income tax." Tom said that corporation taxes can't be increased much without influencing industry against moving to Oregon. The present state budget is 220 million dollars. There have been some estimates that, if Gov. Holmes' program is approved, the total might run to 320 millions in the next biennium, which begins July 1. Off the coast of Cuba is the Isle of Pines, which produces mostly grapefruit and marble. But, it is better known as the setting of Robert Louis Stevenson's classic, "Treasure Island."

Green Couple Buy Insurance Agency

By MARY WEIKUM

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Shultz of Green have purchased the Farmer's Insurance Agency at Canyonville and have been commuting from their home to manage the office. Mr. and Mrs. John Chancellor report they were able to place a call to their son, John Jr., recently, who is stationed in Okinawa. They said the connection took only 35 minutes and reception was clear. John Jr. is serving his second enlistment in the Army Engineers. He expects to return to the United States in May. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker are home after a business trip to Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Gravening drove to Portland last Thursday where Mr. Gravening will have a medical check-up after recent surgery. Bernard Oliver has returned home from John Day where he was working with his brother-in-law, Arthur Moothart. Mr. and Mrs. Keith Husen and son, Marvin, spent the weekend in Grants Pass visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Husen. Mr. and Mrs. Travis Richardson and three children of Myrtle Creek visited with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Weikum and family on Sunday. The Richardsons formerly lived in Green. Eugene Legg has returned home from the hospital where he received treatment for an injury to his foot. Mrs. Adah Deal of Medford has returned to her home after a two-week visit with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Deal.

Green Cubs Get Awards And Pins

Several Cub Scouts from Pack 436, Green, have received awards, according to correspondent Mary Weikum. Receiving awards at the last meeting were: David Lawrey, wolf badge; Mike Bigler and Tommy Tucker, bear badge; Jimmy Tucker, gold arrow on wolf badge; Neil Neison, gold arrow on wolf badge and denner bar; Jerry Snyder, assistant denner bar; Tim Keady, assistant denner bar; Bobcat pins were presented to Joseph Heidrick, Philip Patton, Dennis Cunningham and Carroll Buie. At the same meeting, plans were made for the annual "Blue and Gold Dinner" Friday, Feb. 22, at the school.

Hospital News

Mercy Hospital
Admitted
Surgery: David Watts, Oakland; Mrs. Herbert Heinz, Roseburg.
Medical: Mrs. Gordon Oulette, Sutherlin; Mrs. Wilhelmina McRay, Donald Logan, Richard Gregory, Edward Theiss, Roseburg.
Discharged
Marion Stanley, William Hamilton, Winston; Binger Laird, Mrs. Eva Castle, Elmer Cawthorn, Mrs. George Grimm, Roseburg.

Douglas Community Hospital
Admitted
Surgery: Mrs. Gary Buchholz, Roseburg; Dewey Yarbrough, Riddle.
Medical: Mrs. Harrison Winston, Winston; Mrs. Doyle Poole, Winchester; Mrs. Leonard Liles, Umpqua; Mrs. Sonia Herriges, Mrs. Wilbur Minkler, Roseburg.
Discharged
Timothy Diaz, Albert McGinnis, Mrs. Merlyn Hornbuckle, Marion Moore, Janice Nickson, Mrs. Gail Winniford, Roseburg.

Crowning Slated For Sweethearts

A "Sweetheart" banquet has been scheduled at the Westside Christian Church Feb. 14 at 6:30. It will be in honor of 10 Bible School "sweetheart" candidates, two of whom will be crowned during the evening. The candidates, representing 10 Bible school classes are: Lila McKean, Sue Osborn, Rose Holmes, Rita Sutton, Rosalee Ward, Donna Stead, Alice Savage, Kathy Irwin, Priscilla Fair and LuAnn Ecker. The coronation service is slated to start at 7:30. Two of the candidates will then be crowned "sweetheart of the Bible school." One will represent the junior division and one the adult and youth. The honors will go to the candidates whose classes have registered the greatest gains since Jan. 1. George Knox, minister of the church, will act as master of ceremonies. Loyde Casteel, Bible school superintendent, will crown the sweethearts. The service will be concluded with a devotional message by B. Ross Evans, minister of the Winston Christian Church.

PRESENTS BUDGET

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Prime Minister Nuri Said presented to Parliament Thursday a 1957 budget calling for expenditure of 70,568,530 dinars (\$197,586,000), including 21,538,130 dinars (\$60,285,000) for defense.

Public Buildings Boost Douglas Building Permits

Nine public buildings boosted the total of building permits issued by the county during January to \$288,163 worth of construction. Also issued during the month were permits for seven dwellings, four additions to dwellings, seven garages, one industrial building and one commercial building. A total of \$106 in building permit fees was collected by the county building inspector's office. Topping the list of buildings was a maintenance shop for the county on the North Umpqua Highway at a cost of \$166,371. A \$12,000 county storage shed on the same highway took second place and a fuel bin for the Roseburg Lumber Co. at Dillard was third largest project at \$10,000. A hangar built by the city at municipal airport came to \$4,000. Permits for residences totaled \$57,802; additions, \$7,710; garages, \$5,822; public buildings, \$205,831; industrial building, \$10,000; commercial building, \$1,000. The building inspector's office pointed out that the small amount collected in building permit fees was due to the public buildings which are exempt from permit charges.

Insurance Women Slate Meeting To Organize

A dinner-meeting to form an insurance women's association will be held Monday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. at Carl's Haven. The organization is open to all who work in insurance offices, according to Mrs. Ernie Black. Additional information may be secured by contacting Mrs. Black at Roy O. Young Insurance Co. in Roseburg. Reservations for the dinner-meeting should be made with Mrs. Black either at the Roy O. Young Insurance office or at her home.

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Pianist To Be Featured At Roseburg High School

Pianist Frederic Sjobiarn will be featured Friday in a National Assembly program at Roseburg High School at 9:15 a.m., according to the school's news bureau. Sjobiarn's renditions will range from novelties and popular compositions to the classics. He has appeared before many high school and college assemblies. Lassen Peak in northern California was the most recent active volcano in the United States. It has been a national park since 1916.

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