

Women's Prison To Cost Far More Than Supporters Thought, Says Secretary

SALEM (AP) — Supporters of a plan to build a women's prison were told Tuesday night it would cost much more than the one million dollars they propose.

Col. William Ryan, secretary of the Board of Control, said the million dollars would "provide a start and that's all."

The House Public Welfare Committee held a hearing on the bill to construct a women's prison that would house 100 inmates. They would include both felons and county prisoners who had sentences of 90 days to a year.

The bill was introduced by Rep. Grace O. Peck (D), Portland, chairman of the committee.

The supporters included representatives of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs, State CIO-AFL Labor Council, Oregon Prison Assn., and the Women's Prison Council.

There was general agreement that the 30-women now housed in the penitentiary are in cramped quarters, and have no privacy, recreation or educational opportunities.

The Board of Control, which runs the institutions, recommends that the women's unit be built outside the prison walls at a cost of \$650,000. It would be on prison property, and be a part of the penitentiary, yet the women would be separated from the men.

The supporters oppose this idea, wanting it far removed from the penitentiary.

Warden C. T. Gladden of the penitentiary, saying the present quarters for women are deplorable, testified that it makes no difference to him which plan is approved. However, he said the board's plan would be much more economical to build and operate.

The board plan contemplates housing 60 women, all of whom would be serving prison terms, rather than jail terms.

Mrs. Claire Argow, secretary of the prison association, said the Peck bill would be a great help to counties that don't have facilities to care for women in their jails.

If the committee approves the bill, it then will be sent to the Ways and Means Committee for further consideration.

Home Economics Club Meets In Curtin

By MRS. RUBY MEACHAM

The North Douglas Home Economics Club met at the granite hall March 7 at 10 a.m. A quilt was tied out and finished to give to any needy family who is burned out. A potluck dinner was held at noon with Mrs. Helen Sandoz as hostess. Plans were discussed on having a ham dinner April 19. Tickets for it will be sold. Cards will follow the dinner.

Spending several days this past weekend at the James Rice home in Curtin were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graham of Sunnyview, Wash. Also visiting for the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Gayle Bush and son, Jim, of North Bend.

Raymond Rice, son of James Rice of Curtin, passed his radio test and is now stationed in New London, Conn. in a submarine school.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Becker and family took advantage of the spring vacation and made a trip to Arizona to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Drake and children went to Idaho to visit relatives. They stopped over at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Les Crane and family near Redmond. They reported the Crane family as all getting along fine. The Cranes are former residents of this community.

Mr. and Mrs. James Nelson and family took a few days of the vacation off recently to go to Portland and visit.

The small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Clark was in the Cottage Grove hospital last week with pneumonia.

Norman Ray Sauter of Brookings visited at the Norman Sauter home a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Fritch of Rogue River visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sowles Saturday.

Miss Helen Powell of Eugene visited Dorothy Meacham during the school vacation. The two girls with Miss Nancy Sauter went with Bruce Boss and Charles Copeland to see the State tournament at Salem and to watch Drain play. The girls stayed with Dorothy's great aunt, Mrs. Vern Masse, at Albany.

Mrs. Flora Holt and Mrs. Grace Goins left March 5 for a few days visit with relatives in Ashland. Mrs. Otto Gregory took care of the post office in Mrs. Holt's absence.

Local News

Bob and Marilyn McKee, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKee, have returned home following the spring vacation in Salem visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. McKee and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wiesner.

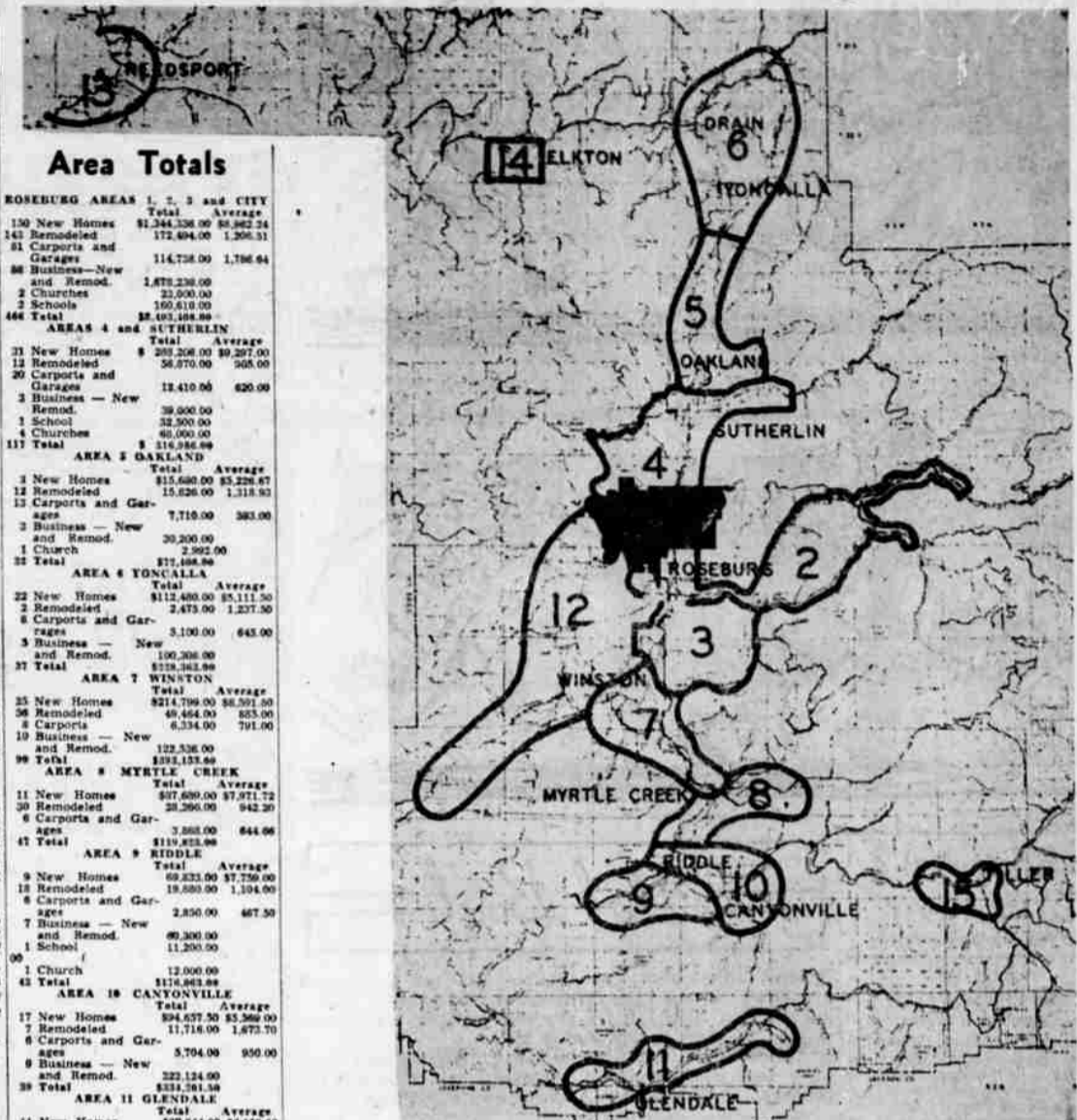
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kent and family of Reedsport spent part of last week visiting here with the former's mother, Mrs. Lucie Harris, and with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kent.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Roberts of Portland visited here Tuesday and Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nickens. Mrs. Roberts lived in the Roseburg area many years ago in what is now the Elgaros district. She is the former Elva Willey.



DINAH WINS AN EMMY—Dinah Shore clutches the Emmy she won from the television academy as the "best female personality of the year." (AP Wirephoto).

First Full Picture Of Building Shown



Department Figures Reveal Construction Of 6 Million

By LLOYD ROGERS
Staff Writer, News-Review

As one of its final actions, the soon-to-be junked County Building Dept. has presented to the county court a report on building activity in the county for 1956.

The report was prepared by C. H. Bonio, building inspector, and his staff. This department has been replaced by the court and will be replaced by a one-man building department which will issue building permits or registrations and act as "mouthpiece" for the presently inactive County Planning Commission.

Under the new policy, builders are to buy registrations for proposed construction but there will be no inspections. The person yet to be named—who issues registrations will advise builders if they request it.

The building department and planning commission were number one targets of a group calling itself "The Douglas County Citizens Committee." Following this committee's complaints to the county court, the court ordered the building department to wind up its affairs along with the planning commission's technicians whose services would no longer be needed. All but one member of the commission resigned.

Bonio's report shows 1,023 building permits were issued in the 12-month period with a construction cost of \$6,215,437.50. He notes that the figures include incorporated and unincorporated areas of the county. In 1956, 319 new houses were built at an average cost of \$8,254.80, or \$2,558,953.50. Remodeling jobs averaged \$1,131.85 or \$412,042. Carports and garages totaled 189, with the average cost-

ing \$982.25 for a total of \$185,692.

Permits for 144 business buildings, new and remodelled, came to \$2,396,244. Five schools were built or remodelled with the valuation set at \$482,144. Eleven churches with a valuation of \$180,352 were built.

In issuing the report Bonio said, "For the first time in the history of Douglas County it is possible to summarize with some accuracy the amount of buildings and costs for one complete year, as 1956 is the first calendar year that the county has had building inspections."

He noted that the figures in his report represent about 80 per cent of the money spent on construction. "This is due to the low basis used for building permit purposes at \$7 per square foot and some buildings which were built without building permits."

Along with the report, the building department prepared a map which indicates the building trend for the past year by areas.

The map shows the Roseburg areas (1, 2, 3 and the city) contributed the bulk of the year's construction money to the total. The total valuation for the areas is \$3,493,408. This includes 150 new houses, 88 businesses, 2 churches and 2 schools.

Second largest contributor is area 4 and Sutherlin. The total valuation is \$316,996, including 33 new houses, 1 school and 4 churches.

MARIE GETS ROLE

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Actress Marie McDonald, whose last starring part was that of a victim in a bizarre kidnapping case, will play the role of a dancing girl in the movie "Badger of Evil," directed by Orson Welles.

THREE DECADES OF AMOS N'ANDY—This smiling pair, Freeman Gosden, top, and Charles Correll, known to the entertainment world as Amos N'Andy, began their 30th year of continuous radio broadcasting March 19. Gosden is Amos; Correll is Andy. (AP Wirephoto).

NON SUPPORT CHARGED

Morrison F. Inman, 44, Grand Hotel, Roseburg, was arrested by Roseburg police Wednesday on a charge of non-support. The arrest was made on a Coos County warrant with bail set at \$2,000.

Minielly Claims Harsh Treatment By Grand Jurors

PORTLAND (AP)—George Minielly, detective in the sheriff's office, protested Wednesday before Circuit Judge James W. Crawford the treatment he got before the grand jury.

And Asst. Atty. Gen. Arthur Kaplan told the judge he brought Minielly from the grand jury room to the court because of an outburst by Minielly.

Minielly is under a five-day suspension because Sheriff Francis Lambert said his comment to the press and on TV got into the policy field which the sheriff reserves for himself. Minielly's statements were in support of his former boss, Mayor Terry Schruk, who has been accused of taking a bribe.

Wednesday was Minielly's second straight day before the grand jury which is probing charges of vice and corruption in Portland.

Minielly told the court that in his 27 years as a sheriff's deputy he had appeared before many grand juries but never before had been subjected to the treatment he said Kaplan gave him.

He said Kaplan appeared not to be seeking facts but kept asking the same questions over and over and kept at him until "I went to pieces."

Judge Crawford sent the men back. The complaint, he said, more properly should have been made by Atty. Gen. Robert Y. Thornton.

John W. Vance, who testified before the Senate subcommittee looking into labor racketeering charges, is wanted on a subpoena to appear before the grand jury and a newscaster, Pat Wilkins, said over KEX Tuesday night that Vance had vanished under "rather strange" circumstances.

Sgt. Hank Kaczanski of the state police said he had been checking and wasn't concerned. He said he thought Vance had gone to Las Vegas.

SPRING DEPRESSING?

DALLAS (AP)—A psychiatrist says more people kill themselves in the spring than in any other season.

Dr. Louis J. West of Oklahoma City told the Southern Clinical Society that the symptoms of spring fever which bring a feeling of well-being to most persons have exactly the opposite effect on acutely depressed persons, making them feel more discouraged than ever.

He said suicides also increase during Christmas and other holiday seasons.



TIDAL WAVES HIT JAPAN—Huge tidal waves, coinciding with the peak of the monthly lunar cycle, rip along Japan's Pacific coastline 125 miles north of Tokyo. The waves, over 30 feet high, tore a gap of more than 1100 feet of sea wall and caused a 3000-foot section to sink in this area showing the big waves pounding shore where 60 houses were destroyed leaving 460 people completely homeless.

Planning Expert Predicts Highway Construction Will Change Metropolitan Areas

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—A city planning expert predicts that highway construction over the next 20 years will change the character and structure of metropolitan areas more than all the work of metropolitan planners since 1945.

John T. Howard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology associate professor, offered with his prophetic federal highway construction program this lament:

"We are ill prepared, now that the new highways are upon us, to say where they should be built in the best interests of the metropolitan areas."

Howard, addressing the American Society of Planning Officials, argued that the purpose of highways was not "the carrying of traffic but to serve the community."

He said a highway so designed and built that it produces land development patterns "worsening the livability and efficiency of a metropolitan area is a disservice to the community."

He declared the U.S. Highway Act of 1956 proposing the building of billions of dollars worth of modern highways "does not recognize these all-important aspects of highway design."

In the absence of metropolitan planning and development policies, each decision on highway location will be based on highway engineering, traffic engineering and costs," Howard contended.

He noted that the federal act silent on planning—gives route locating authority to state highway departments.

He expressed hope "that the state and federal engineers, even though they are in a hurry and even though the law does not require, will arouse and listen to what metropolitan planners have to say."

"And, where it is not too late, that they will modify their plans if they recognize the soundness and wisdom of what they hear."

Howard said comprehensive planning holds that developing good rapid transit service could so lighten highway loads "that the total bill for transit and highways would be less than the bill for highways without transit."

"If this is true—and I think it is—some of the billions proposed for highways within metropolitan areas could be saved, if a fraction of the saving were spent directly to build rapid transit," Howard said.

"This, of course, is so sensible as to be revolutionary."

Variety Of Meats To Be Featured This Weekend

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A variety of meats will be featured with large type and small prices in the nation's supermarkets and neighborhood grocery stores this week, but the prices won't be as "small" as in recent weeks.

Lamb is reported to be 5 cents a pound higher in many places, an increase matched by sirloin and rib roast although not quite so widely.

In any event, lamb (leg and shoulder) and pork (chops and roasts) are getting more of a play in the stores this week than they've been receiving recently. Veal, too, will be a special item in more stores than usual.

Since this is the season choice, grain-fed cattle are coming to market, beef again will be the No. 1 attraction in a good many stores. Chuck roast and ground beef, however, will be as numerous as the more expensive steaks and rib roasts.

Eggs, which have been bargains for some time, are 2 to 4 cents a dozen higher in many areas this week.

Spring also should provide bargains in some vegetables which have had warm weather and plenty of rain. Spring lettuce production, for example, is expected to run 8 per cent ahead of last spring's crop. Asparagus, broccoli and cauliflower also are expected to be more plentiful than usual, and therefore cheaper.

Tomatoes, onions and cabbage, on the other hand, are expected to have smaller crops, and higher prices, than a year ago this spring.

This week, however, the outstanding buys are reported to be storage potatoes from late fall crops, onions, root crops such as carrots from nearby fields and the "greens"—kale, collard, broccoli and turnip greens.

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