

4 VA Hospital Patients Win Awards For Writing

Four Roseburg Veterans Administration Hospital patients have won awards in the 15th annual national writing contest sponsored by the Veterans Writing Project. One patient received an award for an outline on "The Book I'd Like to Write." He also received an honorary award for an article on "Life in These United States." Honorary awards went to two patients for cartoons and another patient was named "Newsmen of the Year." The Umpqua Tidings, hospital newspaper, also received an award.

BANKRUPTCY PETITION

Joseph B. Lewellyn, Rt. 1 Box 1028, Roseburg, a hospital attendant, has filed a bankruptcy petition in federal District Court, Portland, listing \$6,802.73 in debts.

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BY MIKE



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Water Resources Group Says Efforts Jeopardized

Douglas County's water control efforts are being jeopardized by the attitude of the county budget committee, according to at least three members of the seven-man Douglas County Water Resources Advisory Committee.

The opinions were reflected Monday night at the monthly meeting of the body. They were joined in the contention by several members of the audience. The meeting was attended by County Judge V. T. Jackson and Commissioners Huron Clough and Frank Ashley.

Gen. Curtis T. Beecher, one member of the committee, said he feared the county was facing the prospect of advisory committee work being dropped if favorable reports are not returned by state and federal agencies now making surveys in the county.

"We have got to battle," he said. "Water and water resource development means we will enjoy the future or we will not." He said stream levels must be stabilized with impoundments.

Interest May Lag

Ernest Seaton of Drain, another member of the committee expressed a fear that interest engendered among government agencies to survey the basin might be lost. They were joined in the expression of Robert Kelly, Myrtle Creek, the third member.

The fear of the committee's and Douglas County Water Resources Survey's termination was given credence by Judge Jackson. "I don't say you have to quit, but I do say you shouldn't go on year after year gathering stream data," he said he is as interested in

water control as anyone, but he indicated it would be useless to continue work of the survey in gathering data if reports from federal agencies are not favorable.

"Dreams are wonderful, but let's face facts," he said. "It will cost millions and millions of dollars (for dams) and we're such a little county in population that it's out of the question for us to build them."

Cold Water Dashed

He went on to say that when an Army Engineers' cost-benefit report is unfavorable "you don't stand a chance." He also dashed cold water on hopes of the advisory committee to see a dam built on Olalla Creek by the Bureau of Reclamation. "Are they going to look with favor on our comparatively little first class land when there are thousands and thousands of acres of good land in areas of greater population?" he asked.

He said he was afraid the cost-benefit ratio would not be favorable because "it is not feasible to irrigate" the areas involved (Olalla, Lookingglass, Tenmile areas). "It is a pure dream," he said.

Jackson also had a comment on the causes for so much flood damage in recent years. "One of the reasons we get so much damage is because people build on the river bottoms where they never should have in the first place."

He said, however, that the budget committee "isn't for throwing out the survey, at least until the reports are completed."

Exceptions Taken

Several members of the audience (which Jackson called with

tongue in cheek "a complete pressure group") took exception. C. E. Moyer of Dillard said he didn't think the county ought to be sitting back and waiting for an unfavorable report. "Why should we sit back and fold our hands," he said.

Judge Jackson's predecessor, Carl C. Hill, under whose regime the survey was launched, also took a stand against discontinuation of the office. "I feel it is very, very valuable," he said. "But it will not reap benefits in two or three years."

C. Dean Smith, Sutherlin city manager, said his town appreciated the efforts of the survey and committee in helping it with its water problems. "It is out of the question for a little town like ours to get this information without their help," he said.

Former State Sen. Tom Parkinson also spoke in favor of the committee.



WAYWARD AIRMAN RETURNS — Donald Keeton, 19-year-old airman who was the object of a several-state search, is reunited with his 17-year-old girl friend, Doris Lynn Bowling at police headquarters in Dallas, Texas, after he was taken into custody at his mother's home there. Keeton, stationed at Gulfport, Miss., took off in a rented plane and traveled across several states after a disagreement with Doris. (AP Wirephoto)

Ocean Bottom Blast Planned To Offset Odors

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — The ocean bottom will be blasted next week in an attempt to do away with the odor along the beach here.

The Georgia-Pacific Corp. said the odor apparently comes from gas released in the ocean by the pipeline carrying waste from the company's plant at Toledo to the ocean.

The line will be extended to deeper water and a reef off Newport will be blasted to bring about greater dispersal of the waste material, plant manager W. J. Shelton said.

The state Sanitary Authority earlier had ordered the company to take steps to end the problem of foam and odor on the beach. Shelton said the foam apparently resulted when black liquors were released through the pipe. Now the liquors are being burned at the plant, he said.

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Discharged

William Carstens, Dale Cave, Mrs. Bill Lamney and baby, Tyrone Lee, Roseburg; Mrs. Stacy Fenley, Oakland; Mark Hubbs, Riddle.

Douglas Community Hospital Admitted

Surgery: Mrs. Andy Hempenius, Sutherlin; Diane Hornbuckle, Roseburg; Cynthia and JoAnn Slabaugh, Dillard.

Medical: Lloyd Veach Sr., Mrs. Norman Plueard, Roseburg; Mrs. Sam Wilson, Tenmile; Mrs. W. Dale Hough, Mrs. Louis Pugh, Glide; Mrs. Frank Hampton, Myrtle Creek; Mrs. Leland Thomas, Remote.

Discharged

Mrs. LeRoy Nelson, Mrs. Harley Vallier, Mrs. Paul Carson, Joe Johnson, Isola Mitchell, Debra Kerr, Roseburg; Mrs. Harry Bradshaw, Malcolm Schelin, Winston; Clayborn Parton, Wilbur; Mrs. Erich Plikat, Camas Valley; Charles Edwards, Sutherlin.

Sutherlin Grange To Donate Funds

Sutherlin Community Grange recently voted to contribute to the national grange youth leadership training.

Art Bennett was elected to become assistant steward to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Leonard Haslam. Master Derwood Elliot thanked Henry Frotcher for mowing grass around the grange grounds. Members voted to omit the next grange meeting, June 25.

Home Economics chairman Evelyn Frotcher announced the next HEC meeting would be July 1 at the grange hall. Agriculture chairman Borden Beck reported on progress made on flood control, such as cutting brush and spraying to keep Sutherlin creek clear.

Date for grange church Sunday

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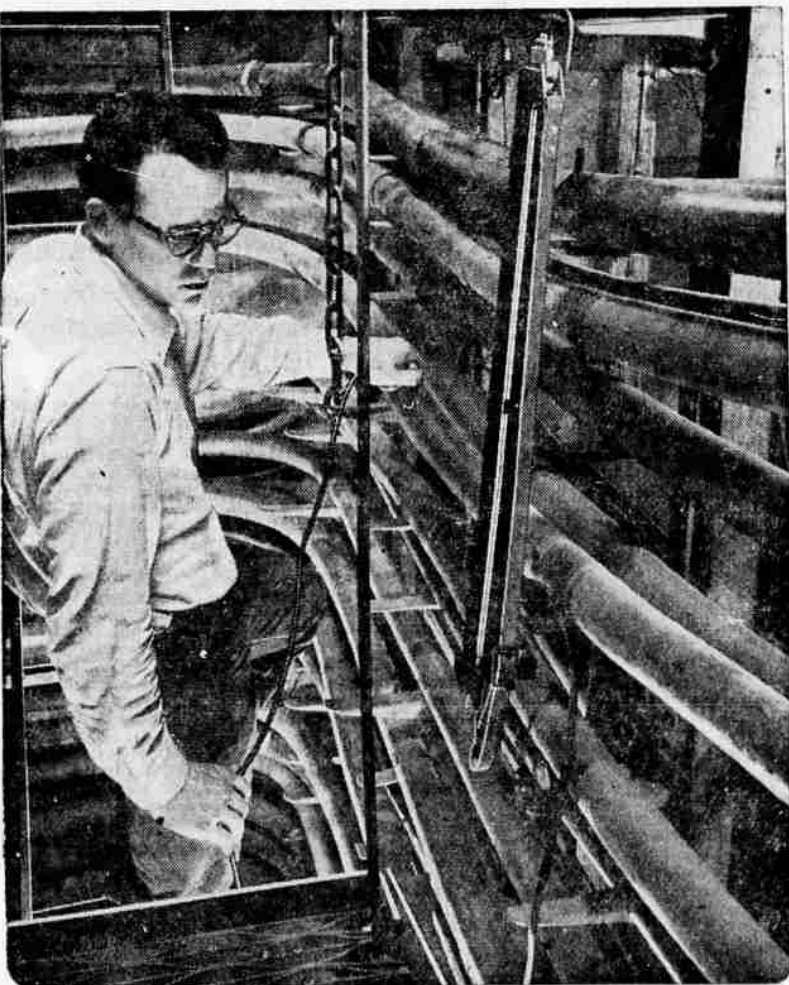


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