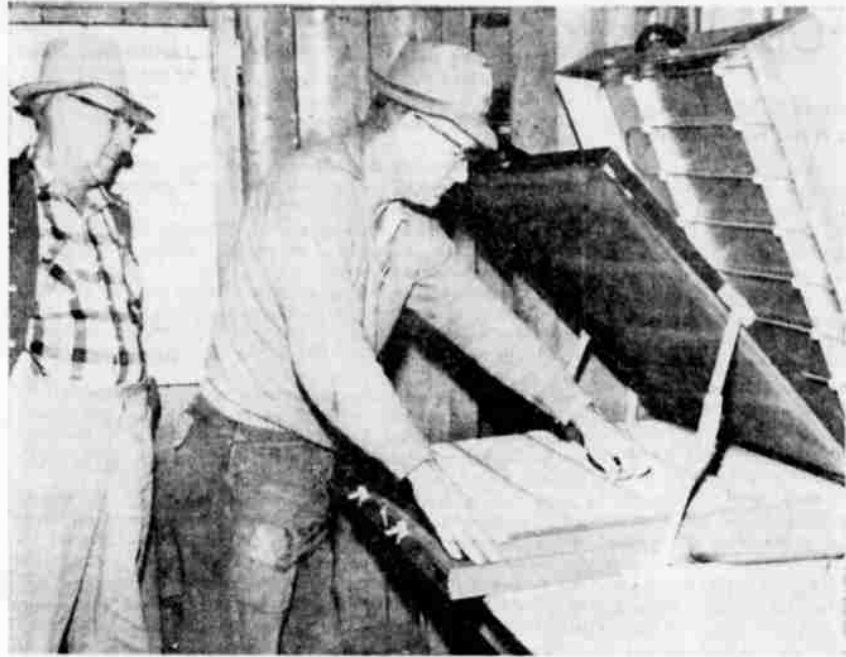


Big Changeover Due City's Street Signs



ROSEBURG'S STREET DEPARTMENT is making its own street corner signs now that it has acquired new sign applicator. Above, city employ Louis Cotton is operating the machine which "cooks" reflectorized scotchlite material onto a metal sign base. Looking on is Guy Meigs, street superintendent.



WOODEN STREET SIGNS (left, picture) are on their way out in Roseburg. They will be replaced by metal signs and posts similar to modern version shown center. The changeover will be launched this winter. Speaking of signs, our photographer thought the heavily-decorated post shown in picture extreme right deserves recognition. Located on a busy Roseburg thoroughfare, this post is a totem pole of information. If the motorist doesn't know which way to go after coming upon this generous glossary of directional data, it's probably because he couldn't get it all read before the light changed. (News-Review Photo).

'Scotchlite' Reflectors Due On Steel Posts

The Roseburg city Street Department this winter will begin a big "change-over" in the residential street sign system. City Engineer Kenneth Meng said the city will soon start to post with modern "Scotchlite" reflectorized street name signs mounted on high steel posts. A few of the attractive new signs are already in evidence.

A number of porcelain-type markers located in the southeast part of town will also be replaced as the city embarks on a program of standardizing and streamlining its network of street signs.

Applicator Use Due
Meng said the Street Department will put the newly-acquired sign face applicator to work in making the new signs. The applicator is an apparatus which "cooks" silver Scotchlite lettering onto a metal sign background.

The applicator gives the city a means of making and replacing signs whenever the need arises. In the new system, the signs will be placed on high metal poles. The new sign has several improvements over the wooden post. One of its key features, of course, is the fact the sign face is reflectorized for easy visibility at night.

Wooden posts are susceptible to damage by vehicles and vandals," said Meng, in pointing out other advantages. A steel pole, on the other hand, is often salvagable. Frequently a steel pole that has been hit by a car can be heated and straightened into a serviceable condition again.

Visibility Poor
Another problem with wooden posts is that they are difficult to see and are often blocked from the traffic's view by a parked car. The new sign is high enough to be easily visible to traffic, provides a more pleasing appearance, costs less to maintain and lasts longer.

Meng said the change-over will probably require about two years to complete. The project will be fitted into slack periods of the Street Department's work schedule. Installations must be made at about 400 residential intersections.

The department hopes to commence setting in the signs as soon as the drainage clean-out and street grading work are finished for the year. East Roseburg will receive the first batch of new signs.

Materials Ordered
Materials have been ordered for the Northeast Roseburg (Kinney Addition) area, but the signs for this area will be pre-lettered at the factory. It is possible that similar signs will be placed throughout the Cloverdale Addition (which is outside the city limits) as the government has indicated an interest in providing the same sign system for streets in this project, Meng said. Eventually, all stop signs in the city will be converted to a reflectorized type, he added.

Grand Jury Gets One Case And Indicts On Another One

Frank Edward Littleman, 30, Portland, waived preliminary hearing and was held to answer to the Grand Jury on arraignment before Calapooia District Justice of Peace Ward Watson at Sutherlin Friday. The charge was larceny of personal property of more than \$75 value.

Littleman indicated in court that he intended to plead guilty to the charge, according to Watson.

Thievery Charged

He was accused in a private complaint of Elmer E. Taylor, of the theft of an electric razor, diamond ring, wrist watch, dress shirt, \$2 in cash, all being the property of Taylor, on April 26. The original complaint was filed April 27 in Justice Court.

Littleman was arrested this week by officers in Vancouver, Washington, and was returned to Roseburg Wednesday to answer to the charge.

According to the officer's report, Littleman, a friend of Taylor for about 10 years, had been a guest in Taylor's home at 1090 Corvallis St., Roseburg. When he left, the items were missing.

He is being held in bail of \$1,000.

The Grand Jury Friday returned one secret indictment and a true bill. The latter charges Marvin L. Covey with assault and battery against Cecil Flint on Sept. 12.

Motion Denied

Circuit Judge Charles S. Woodrich Friday denied a motion of the district attorney to dismiss an order requiring Lois Aisquith, 24 of Roseburg, to appear and show cause why her probation should not be terminated.

The district attorney's office has asked for the dismissal on grounds that she had only four days to serve on her probation, that she was unable to make restitution on the bad check because she was unemployed and that she has been convicted of furnishing liquor to a minor and is serving 120 days in jail, plus being fined \$250 and \$5 costs.

In denying the motion, the judge issued a bench warrant for the arrest of the defendant.

Doctor Due At Meet

The progress of tuberculosis and health associations in Oregon will be the general theme of a meeting of the Oregon Tuberculosis and Health Association next Friday in Portland.

Dr. John Donnelly, county health officer, is scheduled to attend the session.

Ex-West Germany Commander Quits

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army has received the resignation of Maj. Gen. Edwin A. Walker, who says he will "find other means of serving my country in the time of her great need."

The secretary of the army has the right to turn down the resignation, but Pentagon officials indicated Friday there was no prospect of this since Walker has completed the normal 30-year span of a career officer.

Walker has not indicated his plans but some senators said they expect him to testify at Senate Preparedness subcommittee hearings later this month into charges that the Pentagon is muzzling the anti-Communist efforts of military men.

The 51-year-old West Point graduate announced his decision to quit the Army in a blistering statement made public Thursday by a Senate Armed Services subcommittee. Walker complained that he was barred from speaking out on communism.

Walker said his removal last April as commander of the 24th Division in West Germany destroyed his career "in its usefulness to my country."

He was stripped of his command and officially admonished after the Pentagon said he violated Defense Department regulations, made "inflammatory and derogatory statements" about former President Harry S. Truman and had tried to influence the voting of his troops and their families in the 1960 congressional elections.

Under Army regulations, any officer may tender his resignation whenever he considers it appropriate and resignations will be accepted from an officer who has fulfilled requirements, including length of service.



ENDS LAST RUN—Engineer Raymond Lee is shown above as he walks away from his Southern Pacific locomotive for the last time to begin a well-earned retirement.

Long, Colorful Career Ends For Local Rail Engineer

A long and colorful career in the woods of the Northwest and on numerous railroad lines ended this month when Engineer Raymond D. Lee stepped down for the last time from his job on a Southern Pacific Co. switch engine in Roseburg.

Then, in 1941, he hired out as a locomotive fireman with the Southern Pacific in Portland. He was promoted to the position of locomotive engineer in 1949. He had been working out of Roseburg for the past several years.

Lee began his railroading in the Southern Pacific's Portland Division in 1936. But Alaska soon called and he went north to log, mine and run a boat as a fish buyer.

Retirement ended 45 years of logging and railroading. Sharing almost 40 of those years was Mrs. Lee. The two were married at Jefferson in 1922. They now live at 481 NE Meadow Ave.

And logging and railroad interest is apparently in the family to stay. A son, Robert Lee, is employed as a brakeman on the Georgia Pacific Logging Co.'s logging railroad. A daughter, Mrs. J. F. Graves, lives at Meirson. The Lees have six grandchildren.

Retirement Group's Plans Are Expansive

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The Senior Citizens Land & Development Co., which this week started reconstruction of The Grand Hotel as a retirement home and announced plans to make the Rose Hotel also available as a "senior citizens" residence, has its origin in Roseburg.

The board of directors consists of Dr. Harvey W. King, president; Harry Bryant, executive vice president; Jack Mathis, secretary; and Giles H. Florence, of Denver as chairman of the board. Mathis has the contract to reconstruct the last-damaged Grand Hotel.

Expansion Eyed
Plans are to branch out from Roseburg as fast as possible. All the Grand and Rose are in operation and on a sustaining basis, purchase of hotels in other cities for conversion to senior citizens homes is planned. Current plans are to locate in Portland, Seattle, Coos Bay, Boise, Los Angeles, San Diego, Denver, Des Moines, Oklahoma City, Houston, Tex., Baltimore and St. Petersburg, Fla. The intentions are to expand to these areas within the next five years, then eventually to expand to these areas within the next five years, then eventually to include about 30 cities in the overall plan, said Florence. They would locate only where there was demand, he stated.

Membership cards, making it possible to travel from place to place and take up residence in the other cities where the company has homes at the same monthly cost. Their only other expense would be travel and personal needs.

'Fraternity' Expected
The aim, stated Florence, is that "the future premises will never become a building in which people just live, but rather a true fraternity of senior citizens with participation on their part in fraternal, recreational and religious expression."

The accommodations will provide modern bedrooms and bath with the added features of bobby rooms, television, library, roof gardens, dining and ballrooms with planned activity within a price range that can be afforded by all within the scope of Social Security benefits or trust funds.

Arrangements have been made with Reynolds Real Estate, 806 SE Cass Ave. in Roseburg, to handle the sale of homes of persons desiring to buy into the retirement home. Also, the American Home & Land Co. with offices in the lobby of the Medford Hotel will handle rentals in that area.

Target Date Set
Mathis reports that he intends to have the Grand Manor ready for occupancy some time in January. Reconstruction will be a major project as the building interior was extensively damaged by the explosion of Aug. 7, 1958.

It has been necessary to rip out most of the interior structure and rebuild it floor-by-floor from the basement to the top of the fifth floor. The structure itself has been found to be sound. Plumbing and electrical wiring will have to be almost entirely replaced to meet present day codes.

Street level rentals will be maintained. However the first floor front, including the lobby front, will be redesigned.

Facilities Many
Plans call for recreation, hobbies and laundry facilities in the basement. The main floor will be given over to library, television and lobby facilities. On the second floor will be a club room for private parties, entertainment and other uses. A patio or roof garden will be constructed atop the fifth floor.

Damaged portions of the building's exterior will be patched and repainted to give a new, modern appearance.

The Grand Hotel will have 108 separate units. However, some of these will be consolidated as suites for couples. The Rose has 76 rooms, but some are doubles to accommodate up to 100 persons. As the Rose fills up with senior citizens, it will become less and less a hotel and more a retirement home. There is no age limit on getting into the home, said Florence.

UAW Ratification Of Pact Complete

KENOSHA, Wis. (AP) — The United Auto Workers Union announced today that members of a Kenosha local voted overwhelming approval in their second attempt to ratify a historic profit-sharing contract with American Motors Corp.

An unofficial tally of votes cast during day-long balloting at local 72 Friday showed 6,728 in favor of the contract and 3,264 opposed, said Joseph Campomieschi, chairman of the local election committee.

The vote made ratification of the pact by the UAW complete. Only about one-fourth of the local's 12,000 members voted Oct. 8 when the contract was rejected by a margin of 63 votes at the local. The UAW ordered the second vote after all other locals approved the contract.

Leonard Woodcock, the international UAW vice president who directed a campaign to convince Local 72 members they should approve the pact, called the contract "the best ever negotiated with a major auto manufacturing company."

Edward L. Cushman, an AMC vice president and chief negotiator, said the approval "opens the way for new competitive opportunity for American Motors and all associated with it."

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Civil Trial Ended Suddenly Friday

The civil trial of Donald Warren vs. Hale Bros. Logging Co., which started Thursday, ended abruptly with a settlement at 1:45 p.m. Friday.

The trial opened Thursday at 10 a.m. and continued through that day and Friday, when counsel for the parties advised the court the matter was fully settled between the parties. The case was ordered dismissed and the jury discharged. The plaintiff had demanded \$75,000 general damages and \$4,784 special damages for injuries suffered Oct. 6, 1960, when he was employed by the defendant. He was driving a logging truck for the defendant and the truck went over a grade. He alleged the truck's condition was faulty. Amount of the settlement was not disclosed. The original amount asked was \$125,000.

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