

Fire District Votes Saturday On Dissolution

Residents of the Riversdale Rural Fire Protection District will go to the polls June 5 to vote on dissolving the district.

Purpose of dissolving the district is to enable property owners within the district to petition for annexation to the Roseburg Rural Fire District.

Members of the two boards of directors have made a verbal agreement on the annexation to the RRFD which will find all of the homes in the Riversdale district joining the rural district.

U. S. Technicians To Talk 'Hot Line' Link With Moscow

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States expects to send technicians to Geneva in the next two weeks to discuss with Russian representatives the details of establishing a "hot line" communications link between Washington and Moscow, U.S. disarmament Chief William C. Foster said today.

The United States and Russia have reached agreement in principle on the direct-line idea, as a means of averting accidental war. The Russians have refused to include a statement of this agreement in a report to the United Nations by the Geneva conference, but Foster indicated he believes they are still interested.

Foster told editors and broadcasters attending a State Department foreign policy briefing that at one point in recent discussions, Britain indicated it might want to plug in to the hot line.

But Foster said that for the time being this country's allies seemed willing to have the line run exclusively between Russia and the United States.

Foster said the special line would not be used except in times of emergency. He said it has been sometimes called a "purple phone," but the United States favors a teleprinter line capable of handling two-way simultaneous transmission of messages in both Russian and in English.

He said he had "reason to believe" the Russians agree this type of line would be preferable to a telephone circuit.

Discussing Geneva negotiations for a nuclear test ban, Foster said the Russians currently are "simply playing the same record every day," saying that until the United States reduced its demand for on-site inspections to three a year they won't talk about anything else.

Foster said he believes Russia has as much interest as the United States in signing a test ban because of the dangers of a continued arms race, the hazards of nuclear weapons spreading to other countries, the immense cost of testing and the limited gains that tests are now producing.

Based on a jury verdict on trial of April 19, Circuit Court Judge Don H. Sanders has issued an order granting plaintiffs James T. and Norma Lawrence judgment against A. B. McGuire, Inc., in the sum of \$600.

The amount was allowed as damages to the plaintiffs for alleged destruction of 20 prune trees, a septic tank and concrete slab for house trailer parking.

The plaintiffs sought a judgment for \$2,600, alleging that the damage was caused on June 21, 1962 when the defendant entered upon their property in the Myrtle Creek area.

S. J. Pritchett

Funeral services are scheduled Thursday at the chapel of Ganzy Mortuary at 10:30 a.m. for Stanley (Stoney) Jackson, Pritchett, 57, Canyonville, who died early Monday morning as the result of a cerebral hemorrhage. He was water department superintendent at Canyonville.

Services are set for 2 p.m. The Rev. Arthur Alley of the Southern Baptist Church of Canyonville will officiate. Vault interment will follow at the IOOF Cemetery in Canyonville.

He was born Oct. 26, 1905 in Skedee, Okla. He was married to Ruby Lawson Oct. 21, 1925 in Cushing, Okla., and lived in the Portland area from 1942 to 1945. He moved to Scottsburg and came to the Canyonville area in 1947. Pritchett was a member of the Southern Baptist Church of Canyonville, the IOOF Lodge and the Canyonville Fire Department.

Survivors include three sons, Mat of Grants Pass, William of Roseburg and Buell of Canyonville; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Pritchett of Cushing; and four brothers, E. W. of Canyonville, Raymond of Grants Pass, Cecil of Spokane, Wash., and C. Wayne of Sacramento, Calif.; and eight grandchildren.

PRIZE WORTH MORE

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (UPI) — This year's Nobel Prize winners will get a record \$22,000 each, the Nobel Foundation announced Monday.

Last year's award winners for literature, medicine, chemistry, physics and peace got \$21,400.

Large sections of farmland (primarily orchards) will not be included on the RRFD tax rolls.

The Riversdale district was formed about a year ago. Since that time, the board of directors have determined it would be economically unfeasible to raise money for a separate fire department.

Roseburg Rural Fire Chief Cliff Thrasher said the RRFD is currently affording fire protection to the Riversdale district. He explained this is standard procedure for areas planning to annex to the district. Involved is the land near Quail Lane and Currie Road on Garden Valley Road.

A petition signed by more than 90 per cent of the land owners in the Riversdale district asking power to dissolve the district was presented to the Douglas County Court Monday. The court approved the petition and the election date was set.

Present indebtedness of the district will be paid off by a donation of pledges from residents of the district. This indebtedness is expected to average about \$5 per family. This will have to be paid before the district can be annexed to the RRFD.

Thursday Concert Set At Days Creek

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SANCTUARY of the Dillard-Winston Methodist Church is shown with its attractive new pews which were installed just in time for Easter Sunday services. The installation marks the completion of an eight-year building project which has resulted in a fine new church plant for Methodists of the area. A church "homecoming" set for May 26 will enable former pastors, members and friends to view the completed structure, church spokesmen announce. Kitchen, social hall, fireplace and oil furnace are some of the features of the newly-completed plant. The church and parsonage are located in Dillard. (Photo by Barbara Wackerbarth).

Four Convicts Escape Prison

JACKSON, Mich. (UPI) — Four convicts, two of them convicted killers, sawed their way to freedom from the nation's largest walled prison early today, touching off one of the most concentrated manhunts in Michigan history.

The four were described by Southern Michigan prison authorities as "dangerous and desperate." Roadblocks were set up throughout most of southern Michigan. Authorities speculated that the fugitives were still on foot.

The men were James J. Hall, 40; Richard Mauch, 40; Robert Gipson, 30, and Elmer Crachy, 24. Hall was serving a life sentence for second-degree murder; Mauch, a life term for assault with intent to commit murder; Gipson, a 13-25 sentence for second-degree murder, and Crachy 20-30 years as a habitual criminal.

Charles Egeler, administrative assistant to the warden, said the men "had acquired some tools and cut their way through the bars."

He said once they got to the exterior wall of the prison they had to cut more bars and then had to cross a lighted yard and cut through a fence.

Beside the hole in the fence, Egeler said, authorities found a saw and bar spreaders, used in the escape.

The first convict was discovered missing about 3 a.m. and about four hours later prison authorities announced the other three had escaped. They had placed dummies in their cots and routine checks by guards did not reveal their absence.

Tennile Firemen Ready For Calls

The recently organized Tennile Volunteer Fire Department is now equipped and ready to take fire calls, correspondent Mrs. Walter Coats reports. Ted Benedict, fire chief, may be called at OS 9-8655, the number of the Tennile Store.

Roy Willis, assistant chief, may be called at OS 8-5407.

The department now has a truck and pumper and considerable small equipment. However, some items still are needed. Those wishing to make contributions to the equipment fund may leave them with either of the chiefs or with James Parrett, president of the fire district.

Regular meetings for the fire district are held the third Friday of each month at the ladies clubhouse in Tennile, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Residents are urged to attend.

No fire calls have yet been received since formation of the department, Mrs. Coats reports.

FROM AN ADMIRER
CONCORD, MASS. (UPI) — The Concord Police Department received a 10-pound box of chocolates in the mail Monday. The card in the box read only "From an admirer."

This matter was discussed at Monday night's city council meeting. Councilman Orval Petersen brought up the matter at the meeting, and indicated that it would be discussed further at the Airport Commission meeting Friday.

If the change is allowed, there would remain only the morning flight to Portland and evening flight return.

BEAR MAULS TRAINER
HONG KONG (UPI) — A performing polar bear attacked and mauled its woman trainer before hundreds of screaming spectators at the Sheum's Circus here recently.

Miss Sheum Yue-Kwei, daughter of the circus owner, was in serious condition and in danger of losing her left arm.

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Javits Warns Steel Hikes May Bring Inflation Spiral

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., warned today that recent increases in steel prices could set off an inflationary spiral in wages and the cost of living.

He made the statement as the Senate-House Economic Committee opened hearings into whether the price rise by American steel manufacturers was justified.

Javits said he welcomed the hearings as a means of fact-finding and educating the public. But he said it would be "most unfortunate" if they were used to make the steel companies conform to what Congress thought steel prices should be.

Sen. Paul H. Douglas, D-Ill., committee chairman, said the hearings — scheduled to last for at least a week — would be an impartial inquiry into costs and wages involved in steel production.

The United Steelworkers of America (AFL-CIO) is expected to reopen its contract with producers next month for possible wage increases. Douglas said the committee would not go directly into the wage situation, but would consider "the pay of labor in relation to the output per man-hour."

First witnesses scheduled were Labor Department experts on productivity and technological developments.

The price hike began on April 9 when Wheeling Steel Corp. announced "selective" increases. The pattern was set last week when U.S. Steel, the largest producer and traditional price leader, announced increases of \$5 a ton on cold-rolled sheet and strip and \$7 a ton on galvanized.

This was an increase of about 3.42 per cent on products affected but only about 1 per cent in overall steel prices, compared to the 3 per cent increases last year, which the companies rescinded following President Kennedy's protest.

The President did not oppose this year's "selective" increases but he has warned against inflationary wages or prices in consumer goods as a result of them.

Javits said steel companies were entitled to a fair profit but some "grave dangers" were involved in the price increase. He said it could be a "signal for inflation" with manufacturers of consumer goods using it to pass along a larger increase to the public.

"It also is likely that this increase may result in widespread demands for wage increases whether or not they are related to productivity, profits or the general price level," Javits said.

Elkton Scouts Schedule Special Events Thursday
Elkton Cub and Boy Scouts will have their monthly pack meeting this Thursday at 7 p.m. at the grade school, correspondent Mrs. W. C. Henderson reports.

They will have their annual Pine-wood Derby with three divisions participating. Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and committeemen.

Parents and friends are invited to attend.

Camas Valley HEU Plans Chinese Events
The Camas Valley Home Extension Unit will feature a Chinese dinner and a Chinese auction at its meeting set for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Ervin Smith. Mrs. Frank Kinnam, Mrs. Wayne Schmidt and Mrs. Ron Ross will be in charge. A small charge will be made for the dinner, to be served at noon.

Each member attending is asked to bring a friend, correspondent Mrs. Davis Thrush reports.

Knights Of Columbus Ask Council Aid In Keeping Obscene Books From Youths

The Roseburg City Council has been asked to support a campaign aimed at keeping obscene literature away from youths of the community.

Ray Martin, Roseburg, who heads a Knights of Columbus state committee interested in curbing the distribution of objectionable paperback books and magazines on newsstands, outlined his group's plan of action at Monday night's council session.

He urged the council to appoint a citizen committee in Roseburg to work on the problem at the local level. He said the campaign with which he is connected supports the aims of an organization known as the "Americans for Moral Decency."

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Martin said the responsibility of a citizen committee would be to maintain a security over reading matter which is made available to youths and to persuade retailers to cooperate by removing from shelves those books which are known to be objectionable and to refuse sale of all such indecent material to young persons.

Film slides were projected illustrating the various publications which emphasize sex, crime and perversion.

No action was taken by the council but Council President Robert Norton, presiding in the absence of Mayor Tom Garrison, advised Martin the request for a citizen committee would be brought to the attention of the mayor.

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