

Mental Health Group Organization Complete

Formal organization of the Douglas County Mental Health Association was completed at a meeting this week with the assistance of C. F. Feike, executive director of the state organization.

This is not "just another organization" to add to Douglas County's list," a spokesman said. "This association has been formed to help meet the serious gap which now exists in the care of emotionally disturbed people.

"This group of civic minded citizens is spearheading the drive to bring vital mental health information to the attention of the community, knowing that local action for mental health is not only desirable but a necessity."

There has been a revolutionary change in the method of prevention and treatment of mental disease, it was reported at the meeting. Mental health clinics across the country are being established in communities across the country for the care of patients.

Hospital Revamped

After 80 years, the Oregon State Hospital at Salem has been completely reorganized and patients are being returned to their communities for rehabilitation, it was noted.

Douglas County was reported to be lagging behind other Oregon counties in providing the necessary local facilities.

President of the new county association is James Gwaltney, VA Hospital clinical social worker. Other officers are: Mrs. Mary Pease, district PTA vice president, as vice president; Miss Carole Trimble, county librarian, secretary; Harry LeBeau, treasurer of the Douglas County Democratic

Committee, as treasurer; and K. C. Layer, retired rancher, as delegate to the state board.

Serving on the association's board of directors are Dr. John L. Haskins, VA Hospital chief psychiatrist; the Rev. Alfred Tyson, St. George's Episcopal Church pastor; Dr. James Harris, obstetrics and gynecology; Kenneth Barneburg, county school superintendent; Mrs. Ada Jane Dick, county Health Department secretary; Aaron Boe, television station manager; Mrs. Alvia Wetherall, retired school teacher.

Others are Mrs. Lois Baker, retired welfare administrator; James Trowbridge, Joseph Lane vice principal; Thelma Flesman, chairman, board of admissions for Park School; Bert Young, poultry and farm operator; R. B. Spackman, rancher; Mrs. R. B. Spackman, retired teacher; Gene Alexander, logging operator, and Arthur Wilson, attorney.

Also assisting the association will be an advisory committee. These members are: On the federal level, Dr. Haskins; state level, State Police Sgt. Robert Keefe, District Patrol Officer Clayton Klein and employment office manager F. C. Riley; county level, Sheriff Ira Byrd, Juvenile Officer Julian Helleck, Welfare Department administrator Gary Loomis, Circuit Court Clerk Margarite Munson.

Others are William Peckham, director of the Family Service Clinic; Erma Plett, Health Department nursing supervisor, and Avery Thompson, district attorney. Assisting at the city level will be Police Chief John Truett.



WORK OF ALL TYPES is involved in preparing for a beauty pageant. Above, Jaycee members Roger Miesner, Gary Cox and Ron Strickling wield paint brushes as they put finishing touches on stage prop to be used during the pageant performance Saturday night. The prop is a framework which will house the Miss Roseburg throne. (News-Review Photo by Chris)

Decency Group Schedules Meet

A program delving into the problem of obscene literature and outlining the objectives of the new Committee on Decent Literature will be presented at Green School next Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting is being arranged jointly by Green School PTA and the committee with the aim of rallying all PTA units of the area behind the committee's crusade.

Roy Martin, who heads a Knights of Columbus state-wide movement to curb availability of indecent literature to youths, will speak and present a film on the subject. Although Martin has no connection with the local committee, he has made his services available for program presentations to PTA groups.

Officers of PTA units in the county are urged to attend. Plans for the meeting were discussed at a meeting of the committee this week at Riverside School. Special speaker for the session was District Attorney Avery Thompson, who discussed state statutes in relation to laws covering the sale and distribution of objectionable literature.

Support of PTAs is an initial objective of the committee. It eventually wants to draw in other groups to obtain a final cross-section to wide community support. Any persons interested in the problem of indecent literature and its affect upon youths is invited to participate in the committee's work.

"The first step is to get a strong organization," a committee spokesman, Roy Cox, explained. The committee proposes to use "persuasive" tactics on dealers so that they will curtail sale of objectionable material to young persons on a voluntary basis.

Marvin Quick is committee chairman.

Forest Service Schedules Steamboat Road Paving Job

By DON DARLING
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Umpqua National Forest

Few motor routes entered the timbered vastness of the Umpqua National Forest in 1926. In that year, only 83 miles of road penetrated the lands that for centuries knew only the tread of moccasined feet.

Public-use demands have changed that picture!

An example of that change is an announcement today of tentative plans to pave 16.8 miles of Steamboat Road above Steamboat Ranger Station in two separate contracts this summer.

The Umpqua National Forest's present 1,400-mile road system is growing in two ways: in length and quality.

Roads penetrating the forest are constructed primarily for economic development, but soon the esthetic values lure the general public. As general travel increases, the gravel slowly gives way to a highway surface.

Using cooperative maintenance monies, plans are to call for bids on a single-lift resurfacing of 51.4 miles from Canton Creek to Steelhead Creek on the first contract of the proposed Steamboat Road improvement. Bids for this contract will be opened June 5.

Forest Engineer Walt Furen said if funds are available, a two-lift bituminous mat will be placed on the next 11.4 miles of the Steamboat Road shortly after the first of July. This will pave the section from Steelhead Creek to Little Rock Creek.

Steamboat Road is the main log-haul route on the forest transportation system. Furen indicates that substantial savings in road maintenance will be realized by this improved work.

Those with a yen for a scenic drive will be glad to learn that this road may now be traveled over Bearbones Mountain. This route leads over the Divide to Hills Creek Reservoir, just 38 miles from the Steamboat Ranger Station. Oakridge is approximately 10 miles beyond.

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Trimmed ETV Budget Wins Approval Of Legislators

SALEM (UPI) — A trimmed educational television budget of \$906,900—with a feature designed to stimulate state and local school participation — won legislative committee approval Wednesday.

The Ways and Means Education subcommittee voted for the sum, which is \$57,100 less than the governor had proposed.

Furthermore, \$70,000 of the sum approved by the subcommittee would be available only if the higher education system, the education department, or local school districts put up \$2 for each \$1 of state money.

Rep. John Mosser, R-Beaverton, expressed hope that would encourage the state's school and college systems to take part more seriously in educational television.

The subcommittee abandoned a proposal to put educational television and radio under an independent council and decided to leave it under higher education, where it is a semi-independent branch.

the Department of Education for school programming.

The effect of the budget approved by the subcommittee would be to hold back the expansion of the 5-year-old state educational television system, which had hoped to increase its broadcast hours. Educational radio is included in the budget.

The subcommittee indicated it may also approve \$101,000 in state matching funds to construct the proposed Mary's Peak broadcasting facilities which would increase the range of ETV farther up the Columbia River.

TB Hospitals Discussed

The subcommittee also discussed a new proposal on what to do about the state's two tuberculosis hospitals in Portland and Salem.

The legislators are trying to consolidate the operations.

The governor suggested moving all patients to Salem for a \$600,000 saving. Opponents replied most patients come from the Portland area, and the expert medical help is mainly at the Portland hospital.

The Portland hospital, however, is not large enough for all patients, now about 160.

Rep. Ross Morgan, D-Gresham, revealed the Multnomah County Commission has expressed willingness to handle state patients at its county hospital and annex between Troutdale and Fairview which would supplement the Portland hospital.

Morgan said the rate proposed by the county would save the state an additional \$300,000.

No action was taken.



THESE THREE CUTIES will present a special number at the Miss Roseburg Pageant Saturday night. Left to right, they are Judy Norman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Norman; Cindy Stevens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stevens, and Sheila Knight, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Knight. The trio will do a singing number: "Miss America's Sisters." (News-Review Photo By Chris)

Mother's Tea Tonight At Myrtle Creek High

"International" is the theme chosen for the Mother's Tea at Myrtle Creek High School to be held at the Gymnasium at 7:30 tonight. Passport invitations have been sent to mothers of the students.

In charge of planning are Mrs. Joy Johnson, home economics teacher, and Beverly Anderson, student chairman.

Girls from the home economics classes will model clothes they have made this year. Other articles of wearing apparel are being furnished by the Golden Rule which the girls will model.

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Cultural Broadcasts

Most of the money approved by the committee for the 1963-65 biennium, \$639,900 of it, would go to the system for cultural broadcasts and its "college of the air."

Of the rest, \$60,000 would go to higher education and \$80,000 to

Mrs. T. Pargeter To Head Auxiliary

Mrs. Thomas Pargeter was elected president of the Roseburg Lions Auxiliary at the group's meeting this week.

Mrs. Ray Doerner is the new vice president; Mrs. Willard Buchanan, secretary; Mrs. Thomas Hartiel, treasurer; and Mrs. George Foster, lion tamer.

Mrs. William Unrath and Mrs. Frank Sumstine have been named directors.

Mrs. Pargeter and Mrs. Doerner have been selected as delegates to the Lions State Convention in Baker May 23, 24 and 25.

At the meeting, plans were made to assist with the White Cane Week homemade candy sale which will be held here Saturday. Today members were busy sacking candy for the sale.

Vedder To Head Board At Riddle

At the May meeting of the Riddle School Board, Fred Vedder was elected chairman and William Markham vice chairman.

Supt. Kenneth Stuart reported that the last payment for fire loss on the White building had been received. The board visited the new high school addition to inspect foundations and walls now in place, correspondent Erma Best reports.

June 10 was set as the date for gasoline and fuel oil bids. The summer driver education program is scheduled to start June 17 with Donald Brown as instructor. The summer baseball program starts June 5 with Bill LeMaster as director.

Dates have been set for events of the closing week of school. Baccalaureate will be on Sunday, June 2, with the Rev. Richard Rohrbaugh of the Tri-City Presbyterian Church conducting the service. Eighth grade promotion exercises are set for 11 a.m. June 3 and high school commencement at 8 p.m. also on June 3.

Report cards will be given out at 1 p.m. June 4.

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