

Lumber Shippers Oppose Changes In Demurrage Rules On Railroads

O. L. Stewart of Roseburg, executive secretary and traffic manager of the Southwest Oregon Shippers' Traffic Association, Inc., is in Chicago this week, presenting the position of the association at a hearing, which started Monday on demurrage rules and charges proposed by the Association of American Railroads.

Police Chief Notes Driver Cooperation

Chief of Police John T. Truett said today motorists are cooperating well with the traffic problem created on W. Harvard Ave. where California Pacific Utilities is having a gas pipe line laid into its main plant on SE Oak Ave.

The line is being built from a pressure regulating terminal about three miles west of the city center on Melrose Road on what will be the main line of El Paso Natural Gas Co. now proceeding south from Eugene.

The work, being done by Roy Price Construction, Inc., is now in the vicinity of W. Stanton St. Crews, at city request, are starting work now at 6:30 and quit at 4 p.m., to miss the heavy 4 to 5:30 p.m. traffic. One-way traffic is necessary in some sections.

Chief Truett said that, as the line approaches the Fairhaven area, inbound traffic on Harvard will be detoured by way of W. Fairhaven, W. Brown, W. Military and W. Belows, back to Harvard. The workers will be in that area next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Woman Is Injured In Two-Car Crash

One person suffered minor injury and was treated as an outpatient at Douglas Community Hospital, following a two-car collision at the intersection of SW Corvallis St. and SW Medford Ave. Tuesday at 8:05 p.m., the sheriff's office reports.

Injured was Opal Mae Rankin. She was a passenger in a car operated by Donna Clara Kifer, 16, both of Rt. 1, Box 1146, Roseburg, which collided with another automobile operated by Linda Joyce Koch, 17, of 205 SE Lane St., Roseburg.

The report states the Koch car, traveling south on Corvallis, apparently was in the center of the intersection when struck by the Kifer car, which was making a left turn from Medford onto Corvallis.

The investigating deputy said the stop sign on Medford was lying in a ditch and apparently was there prior to the accident. The drivers and other passengers in the two cars were not injured, but the automobiles were damaged.

Mrs. Blakeley New Sutherland Reporter

Mrs. William Blakeley is the new News-Review correspondent for the Sutherland area. She replaces Mrs. Jerry DeMuth who has served as correspondent for the past several years and who has now accepted full-time employment in Sutherland.

Mrs. Blakeley has lived in Sutherland for the past 17 years. She is married and has two daughters, ages 10 and 7. She is the daughter of Mrs. Willard (Clara) Bosserman and the late Mr. Bosserman who were formerly long-time residents of Roseburg. Mrs. Blakeley is a native Oregonian, having been born at Coquille where her parents resided after leaving Roseburg.

She was employed as an office worker before her marriage and is active in Eastern Star. During World War II, she served in the Navy with the rank of yeoman. Residents of the Sutherland area may contact Mrs. Blakeley at 106 E. Fourth Ave. or phone her, 439-2543.

Ministers Request Use Of High School Facility

The Roseburg School Board will consider a request by the Ministerial Association for use of the high school auditorium for "Two Great Days With The Bible," on Sept. 21-22.

This religious meeting is expected to draw large enough crowds to require seating capacity such as provided by the auditorium.

The board meeting will be held at 8 p.m. at the school district administration offices on W. Harvard Boulevard.

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The shippers' association opposes the following proposed changes:

1. That free time allowed for loading and unloading be reduced from 48 hours to 24 hours, except on coal; 2. That the exclusion of Saturdays, Sundays and holidays after expiration of free time be eliminated, except on coal; 3. That Rule 9, Average Agreement, be eliminated in its entirety, except on coal; 4. That demurrage charges which now provide for a charge of \$4 for each of the first four days after, and \$8 for each subsequent day, be amended to provide for charges as follows: \$4 per day for the first and second days; \$8 per day for third and fourth days, and \$16 per day for each subsequent day.

Protest Made

Stewart will state the stand of the non-profit 38-member association, which was organized May 20, 1957, to promote the "installation, development and improvement of all transportation facilities" serving the counties of Jackson, Josephine, Douglas, Coos, Curry and Lane Counties. Forty-two additional lumber and plywood mills in

Myrtle Creek PTA To Meet Thursday

The Myrtle Creek PTA will hold its first fall meeting Thursday at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. According to Mrs. Ned Norton, secretary and publicity chairman, all new teachers will be introduced and school patrons are urged to come out and get acquainted with the school staff.

Special speaker for the evening will be David Stockner, sixth grade teacher, who will discuss in detail the tax referral measure to be submitted to voters on Oct. 15.

Two meetings of the PTA executive board have already been called by Frank Mazil, president, and the year's budget prepared for presentation at the regular PTA meeting, according to Mrs. Norton.

A third meeting of the executive board has been set for Oct. 3 at 8 p.m. at Mrs. Norton's home.

Refreshments will be served at Thursday's general meeting.

AOI To Discuss New Legislation

The effect of new legislation, including the \$60 million tax package, workmen's compensation and other acts involving Oregon employers will be outlined at a meeting in Roseburg Sept. 30 by leaders of the Associated Oregon Industries.

This will be one of a series of area meetings being staged around the state by the AOI. The meetings will be open to AOI members and invited guests. General Manager Ivan Connelton said the purpose will be to present "a recap of what actually happened at the last legislature and how new laws will affect AOI members."

To be emphasized during the meetings are the estimated consequences faced if the \$60 million tax increase approved by the legislature is turned down by voters in the referendum election Oct. 15. The AOI has taken a stand in favor of the package.

Drunken Driving Charge Holds Man

Manley Marvin Huntley, 31, of 772 NE Meadow Ave., was arrested by Roseburg City Police Tuesday night on a drunken driving charge.

The report stated Huntley had stopped his car in the middle of Diamond Lake Blvd., near Jackson, then turned left onto Jackson at Winchester. He allegedly almost hit another car that was stopped to make a turn, then proceeded south on Jackson. He was stopped just south of SE Court Ave., at about 8:45 p.m.

Richard John Golden, 24, of 1774 NE Klamath Ave., was fined \$100 and \$5 costs and given two days in the city jail, on appearance in Roseburg municipal court Tuesday on a charge of driving with suspended operators license.

Judge Warren Woodruff handled 34 cases in traffic court Tuesday night. Nine were for basic rule violations, five non-stops, seven no drivers licenses and the others, miscellaneous.

Robert Gordon Ylvisaker was assessed a fine of \$45 and \$5 costs and his driver's license was recommended suspended for 120 days.

The general area also are joining in the protest.

Reasons for opposition are listed by Stewart as follows:

1. Our area is served by only one railroad, the Southern Pacific Co., and is the largest forest products shipping area in the country, shipping between 10,000-12,000 car loads of traffic per month. Our car supply is very erratic, depending on the availability of empties and the national car supply situation. These circumstances lead to frequent shortages of cars in our area, historically as well as currently.

One Switch Received

2. With few exceptions we receive only one switch per day, the hour fluctuating due to the many railroad operational reasons as well as running time of local and line-haul trains which supply the empties to our area.

3. We do not know in advance the number, type or cubic and weight size of the cars we are to get until they are actually spotted for loading. Our customers order according to the lowest incentive rates available, many of them demand wide door cars which we order and, if not supplied, we have to try to get permission to load in a narrow door or hold the order until we receive a wide door. In many instances we have to cut down a large order intended for a 50-foot box and ship in a 40-foot box or have the order canceled. This also applies on flat cars when only 40 feet are available where we need 50 feet and longer. All this results in a delay of loading due to our being forced to change orders and daily planning and manufacturing in accordance with the type of car supplied.

4. Our car supply runs fairly adequately on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays of each week and very spotty the remainder of the week, resulting in a continuous lag of back orders. For example, a mill orders 10 cars per day and receives only 5 cars per day for several days and then suddenly is spotted 15 or 20 cars to catch up these back orders which we have firm orders for and dare not cancel. This places our mills at the great disadvantage of trying to accumulate enough cars to maintain the steady daily loading necessary to balance orders and production schedules and also have enough cars on hand for Monday loading prior to the Monday switch.

5. Our mills have a very good record of prompt loading which is substantiated by the steady daily, monthly and yearly volume of cars each mill ships. This cannot be continued by holding empties just for the fun of it. The average agreement is most necessary to our operations because of carrier's inability to supply cars as ordered, and we must have credit for the prompt shipments to offset the delays as stated above. The delays I refer to are not caused by the shipper, but by the carrier.

Optometrist To Head National Committee

Dr. Byron E. Woodruff of Roseburg has been appointed chairman of the Committee on Assistance to Graduates and Undergraduates of the American Optometric Association, President W. Judd Chapman, O.D., announced in St. Louis, Mo., today.

The committee is part of an overall department responsible for the educational programs of the annual AOA Congress and various regional meetings. The department also fosters graduate educational programs, establishes minimum requirements for schools and colleges of optometry and inspects and credits those institutions.

The American Optometric Association represents 12,500 professional practitioners throughout the United States. Its headquarters are located in St. Louis with offices in Washington, D.C., and New York City.

Zettie Swearingen

Private funeral services will be held in the chapel of Gann Mortuary (Myrtle Creek) at 11 a.m. Thursday for Zettie May Swearingen, 71, of 608 W. Main, Canyonville.

Mrs. Swearingen died Monday night at a Canyonville hospital following a short illness.

The Rev. Richard Rohrbach of the Tri-City Presbyterian Church will officiate. Interment will follow at Riddle Cemetery.

Born July 12, 1892, at Riverton, W. Va., the deceased had resided at Canyonville since 1948, coming to Canyonville from Richmond, W. Va. She was a member of the Methodist Church at Richmond.

She was married to Wilbert Swearingen on June 29, 1911, at Harmon, W. Va. Surviving in addition to her husband are five sons, John of Canyonville, Wade of Shreveport, La., Robert of Columbus, Ohio; Curtis of Spokane and Ford of Vancouver, Wash.; three daughters, Mrs. William Stowers of Roseburg, Mrs. Nellie Becker of Canyonville and Mrs. Josephine Williams of Coos Bay; one brother, Fred Graham of Charleston, W. Va.; one sister, Mrs. Mary Cunningham of Columbus, Ohio; 22 grandchildren, and three great grandchildren.

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Myrtle Creek Council Hears Water Report

The Myrtle Creek City Council met in regular session Tuesday night at the City Hall and after disposing of routine business, settled down to a lengthy agenda, chief item of which was a detailed report by City Engineer Don Martin on a study made by him recently on the city's water system.

According to Lorraine Birenbaum, correspondent, heavy water usage finds the present supply inadequate during peak use periods as storage facilities are insufficient to allow for proper settling. Myrtle Creek at present receives most of its water from springs. Use of river water by means of a filtration plant is under consideration.

Martin's report considered the problem from all angles and will be used as a basis for future design by filtration plant engineers.

Lumber Firm's Employees Pick IWA As Agent

Employees of the Douglas County Lumber Co. have voted 100 to 32 to certify Local No. 3-436 of the International Woodworkers of America as their bargaining agent.

Results of the election were announced today by the National Labor Relations Board. Douglas County Lumber Co. had filed a question of representation petition with the NLRB which brought about the election.

The IWA Local No. 3-436 had represented employees of Douglas County Lumber Co. on a stipulation agreement signed by officials of the union and the company following a merger of IWA Local No. 307 with Local No. 3-436 last year.

IWA Business Agent Marvin Williams said today the IWA will open contract negotiations with Douglas County Lumber Co. in late September. He said they'll be seeking the same contract signed with the "Big 6" and Timber Operators Council bargaining committees. This calls for a wage hike of 30 1/2 cents over a three-year period and other benefits. The contracts have given employees a 10-cent wage hike retroactive to June 1 and another 5-cent hike on Dec. 1 this year.

New Stop Sign Up In Freeway Area

Motorists' attention is called by Roseburg police to new stop signs placed in the city for traffic controls.

Chief of Police John T. Truett said a stop sign has been placed on W. Freeway Avenue at the divider islands where traffic proceeds west toward the freeway. A sign, not easily seen, has been there in the center of the street on the pavement.

New signs have been erected on the Veterans Administration Road in West Roseburg on either side of the entrance to Fir Grove School. This was done because of the increase of children and bicycles in the area on school days.

SE Mosher Ave. has been made a through street to the South Umpqua River by making SE Flint a stop street on either side of Mosher. There have been two accidents at this intersection this year and two last year. One accident occurred Sunday, causing minor injuries to six persons.

Other bad intersections are being studied for possible stop signs, said Chief Truett.

Tax Proponents Slate Meeting At Courthouse

A citizens' committee urging a "yes" vote on the tax referral ballot meets in the Circuit Court Auditorium of the Courthouse tonight to discuss the implications of the ballot in regard to education.

The meeting opens at 8. Arrangements for the session were made by Mrs. Willard Pease, regional vice president for the Congress of Parents and Teachers.

The meeting, called to consider the impact upon education if the measure is defeated, is open to the public. Educational forces throughout the state are joining forces in an effort to promote passage of the question. The legislature's \$60 million tax increase measure is at issue.

In the event the city goes ahead with plans for an additional water supply. As two councilmen were absent, no action was taken. The report was turned over to the water committee for further study.

Other Action

In other action, the council referred to the building committee a request from Ray Norton for permission to remodel a vacant beauty shop in the residential district into apartments with the addition of bedroom space. The building as it stands does not comply with setback rules for residential structures as it abuts the street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stitts, gospel ministers, appeared before the council with a request for permission to hold services on Main St. on Saturday afternoons. The request was denied as it was felt crowds might create a traffic problem, Mrs. Birenbaum said.

The council awarded bids for furnace oil to Standard Oil at a price of 128 1/2 cents per gallon and to Union Oil for gasoline at .2212 cents per gallon.

Purchase of a police car radio, a budgeted item at \$689 with trade-in and including installation was authorized and purchase ordered from the Motorola Co.

Bid Opening Set

The council set Oct. 1 as the date for opening of bids for an addition to the Fire Hall. Bids will be advertised both this week and next.

The first and final reading of an amendment to the ordinance pertaining to vacations of city employees was read. The amendment clarifies vacation practices that have been in effect for some time, according to Mrs. Birenbaum.

The council also voted to reimburse City Engineer Martin for added duties overseeing city work since July when the former city superintendent resigned. Martin will receive 50 per cent of the salary set for the superintendent, retroactive to the time he took over. Applications for a new superintendent will be considered when the full council is present.

It was reported that the city swimming pool was now closed after 90 days of operation but that figures on its usage have not yet been compiled. The school district has secured two-hour-a-day usage of the pool for the next two weeks for physical education classes.

Under new business, the council discussed investing monies now in a sinking fund, including \$4,000 set aside for a fire truck, and referred the matter to the finance committee for further study.

County Appraisers Attend Conference

Ten appraisers from the Douglas County assessor's office are in Corvallis this week attending an annual in-service training session at Oregon State University. The school is sponsored jointly by OSU and the state Tax Commission.

Appraisers attending from Douglas County are Jack Bathrick, Charles W. Neal, Robert E. Murray, Vincent P. Derig, G. Summerfield Haaf, Alton B. Hebard, Ralph Preston, Harold Haskin, Alton F. Tuttle and Lowell E. Gilmore. Also attending the school are Robert Kischel from the Douglas County Land Department.

Assessor Leland Sverdrud Jr. says the eighth annual appraisal short course provides a continuous training program for appraisers and is designed to bring about greater uniformity in valuation of real property across the state. Both intermediate and advanced courses of study are being offered.

Council Passes Three Ordinances

Ordinances forming assessment districts and calling for bids on two sanitary sewer projects and a street improvement were approved by the Roseburg City Council at a special meeting Tuesday noon.

Projects initiated by the ordinances are the Garden Homes sanitary sewer system, NE Fremont Ave. paving improvement between NE Jackson and NE Nash and the lower Hamilton Street sewer improvement.

The special meeting was held to speed the legal steps required to get the projects underway. Bids will be awarded at the next council session on Sept. 23. The city is hopeful that work on the projects can be completed this fall.

JFK Gives Assurance U.S. Protected Under Terms Of Nuclear Test Ban Pact

WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy, in a special letter, today gave the Senate his "unqualified and unequivocal assurances" that U. S. security will be protected under the nuclear test ban treaty.

His assurances were given the Senate by GOP Leader Everett M. Dirksen in a prepared speech in which he declared his support of the pact and his willingness as a Republican to "go the second mile" for peace.

The President emphasized that he believed the Senate already had received "fully adequate" statements from top administration officials assuring it of safeguards for security under the treaty. But he said he agreed with Dirksen and Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield that it is "desirable to dispel any

fears or concerns" among senators on the point.

It was Dirksen who suggested that Kennedy send a letter to the Senate to allay any fears or doubts as debate on ratification of the limited test ban pact began this week.

Cites Protection Areas The President cited eight areas in which preparations would be maintained to protect the United States and the free world under the treaty which would ban all but underground testing.

Kennedy particularly assured the Senate that if Cuba should be used "either directly or indirectly to circumvent action in response."

This was aimed at the treaty reservation of Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., who proposes that its effectiveness be deferred un-

til Russia's military base has been removed from Cuba.

The other assurances given by Kennedy covered underground nuclear testing, readiness to resume atmospheric tests, expansion of detection facilities, freedom to use nuclear weapons for defense of the United States and its allies, nonrecognition of East Germany, maintenance of a "strong weapons laboratory," and continued development of nuclear power for peaceful purposes.

Kennedy concluded: "It is not only safe but necessary, in the interest of this country and the interest of mankind, that this treaty should now be approved, and the hope for peace which it offers firmly sustained, by the Senate of the United States."

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