

City Plans Street Improvements

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To see sidewalks installed on certain streets, primarily Sharp, Sherwood, Broccoli and Agee. In this regard, the city administrators have proposed that these improvements should be undertaken on an assessment district basis. It has been suggested that the sidewalk cost should not be borne solely by the property owners in front of whose property the improvement is made, since, in the city's opinion, all residents of the area benefit to some extent by the improvement.

Merit Proposal To Be Reviewed

Members of the Roseburg City Fire Department, speaking in a body through their newly formed union local, petitioned the Roseburg City Council Tuesday night for a special hearing on the proposed merit system for city employees.

The council agreed to hear the firemen — and other city employees who might wish to voice an opinion on the proposal — and called for a special meeting next Monday night. In a letter to the City Council, the firemen said, "After a thorough study of the proposed merit system with the city manager, and by our own local No. 1489 (International Association of Firefighters), it is very evident that this system is inequitable and undesirable."

"Our objections to this system are too numerous to list at this time," the firemen said in asking for the special meeting. They also said the system has already been defeated in many cities such as Astoria, Salem and Springfield. All 19 members of the fire department (excluding the fire chief) belong to the new union local, President R. D. Logan said Wednesday. Other officers of the local are Pat O'Brien, secretary, and Rex Jeffries, treasurer.

SCHOOL CLOSURE GENERAL

Schools throughout the county will be closed both Thursday and Friday of this week in observance of the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Classes are scheduled to be resumed at the usual hour on Monday, Dec. 2.

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provided for the property owner. The council has set \$35 per residential lot as the amount which would not be exceeded in spreading the assessments for sidewalks over the district. Over four miles of street are involved in the Cloakes Ferry proposal. A related problem in connection with the Cloakes Ferry street proposal is West Agee Street. This street, which is exceedingly narrow for a residential travelway, promises to become increasingly important due to the opening of West Or-

Venezuelans Hold U.S. Army Officer

CARACAS, Venezuela (UPI)—Four pro-Castro terrorists armed with sub-machine guns kidnaped U.S. Army Col. James K. Chenault, 45, Sherman, Tex., Tuesday in front of his home.

The young assailants overpowered a Venezuelan army soldier who was Chenault's chauffeur to kidnap the deputy chief of the U. S. Army Mission in Venezuela. The kidnaping was carried out at 6:30 a.m. Two hours later, the American Embassy received an anonymous telephone call in which it was told "Col. Chenault will not be harmed."

"We only want him for propaganda purposes," the caller said.

There apparently were no witnesses to the kidnaping other than the driver of the U. S. Army Mission car. He told police Col. Chenault, who was not armed, did not resist his captors. The four men drove him away in a 1952 car, found abandoned a short time later. Chenault's wife, Ruth, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and his three children were at home when Chenault was kidnaped. The family home is in the eastern end of the city, near the Central University, hotbed of student anti-government activities.

Notified of the kidnaping, President Romulo Betancourt ordered police and troops out to search the city. Roadblocks were thrown up and cars halted and searched.

Within hours of the kidnap, police were said to have an unknown number of suspects in custody.

OTHER SURVIVORS LISTED

Additional survivors have been reported for Norman Prang Rohde, 28, who was killed Sunday in an auto accident on Interstate Highway 5 north of Myrtle Creek. They are his two grandmothers, Mrs. Catherine Rohde of McMinnville and Mrs. Fanny Shields of Portland. Funeral services for Rohde will be held Friday at 2 p.m. at the chapel of Macy and Son Funeral Directors at McMinnville.

Mrs. Chenault refused to see newsmen or to comment on her husband's plight.

"I will speak to the press when my husband is released and we are reunited," she said. The Chenault children are Sandy, 19, James Jr., 16, and Linda, 9.

Authorities put a heavy guard around their home after the kidnaping.

Mission members here are engaged mainly in training and liaison with Venezuelan members of the Inter-American Defense Board.

U.S. Ambassador C. Allan Stewart received personal assurances from Betancourt that "everything possible will be done to secure Chenault's freedom," it was learned.

(In Washington, Defense Department authorities said Chenault is not related to the late Gen. Clair L. Chenault, famed commander of the Flying Tigers of World War II. Chenault's parents are Mr. and Mrs. John K. Chenault, Corpus Christie, Tex.)

Bernard A. Naas

Bernard A. Naas, 78, of Rice St. in Myrtle Creek, died Nov. 26 in a Canyonville hospital after a short illness.

He was born Feb. 16, 1885, in Kansas. He came to the Myrtle Creek area in 1891 and has been a resident of Myrtle Creek since that time. He was married to Lillas Florena Dyer, Oct. 12, 1913, in Myrtle Creek. She preceded him in death in 1961.

The deceased had worked for the Southern Pacific railroad and later engaged in mill work. Survivors include three sons, Elbert and Cecil, both of Roseburg, and Harley of Myrtle Creek; eight grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held in the chapel of Ganz Mortuary in Myrtle Creek Friday at 2 p.m. with the Rev. John Myers of the Myrtle Creek Christian Church officiating. Interment will follow at the IOOF Cemetery in Myrtle Creek.

Kiwanis Gets Rosy Report On Local Farm Prospects

A rosy picture of the future of agriculture in Douglas County was presented to the Roseburg Kiwanis Club and guests at the annual Farm-City meeting held Tuesday noon.

Charles Colegrove of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service was the speaker for the meeting at which several area farmers were club guests.

The speaker pointed to four changes which are certain to be evidenced in the county—all of which will contribute to the progress of agriculture as an economic factor in the county. He predicted an increase in county livestock production with both cattle and sheep numbers likely to increase substantially in the near future.

An increase in orchard products — particularly prunes and walnuts — is a near certainty, he indicated, and the feasibility of vegetable seed production in the county is presently being proved.

In addition, he predicted an increase in the production of fresh vegetables in the county. He said that the soil and climate conditions of Douglas County are better for growing of some fresh farm products than, for example, the Willamette Valley.

These factors will, he pointed out, result in an increase in both agricultural production and population in the county.

In a talk loaded with a wealth of statistics, Colegrove indicated Douglas County's farm production presently totals \$6.5 million per year; 8 per cent of the U.S. population presently feeds the other 92 per cent; that

Myrtle B. Beard

Myrtle B. Beard, 81, former resident of Lookingglass, died Nov. 24 at her home in Eugene, according to word received here today. She was the daughter of the late John and Sarah Spaugb, early-day Lookingglass pioneers.

Mrs. Beard was born Dec. 9, 1881, in Lookingglass. She was married in Roseburg in 1901 to Fred L. Beard. Her husband preceded her in death in 1953. From 1908 to 1913 the couple was in the mercantile business in Yoncalla, where Beard was mayor. The couple operated a mercantile business in Harrisburg from 1913 to 1922 and then operated a store in Eugene from 1922 to 1943, selling out at that time to Kauffman Bros. They operated a business in Corvallis from 1947 to 1949 before moving back to Eugene to make their home.

Mrs. Beard was a member of the First Baptist Church of Eugene, the Evangelical Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and the Daughters of the Nile, both of Eugene.

She is survived by three brothers, Roy E. Spaugb and Alba L. Spaugb, both of Eugene, and Charles H. Bend; and many nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the England Funeral Home in Eugene with Dr. Vance Webster of the First Baptist Church officiating. Interment will follow at West Lawn Cemetery in Eugene.

farm population in Oregon is down 23 per cent from 1950; that one-third of the land in Oregon is in farms raising crops and timber or in grazing land. Colegrove was introduced by county extension forester Bob Bradley, who was introduced by Virgil Lomax.

Key Club members who were guests at the meeting were Steve Vasterling and Don Rumberg.

Council Adopts Ordinance On Plant Property

An ordinance annexing an enclave of property owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ford Plant at the corner of NW Lynwood and NW Calkins Road was adopted by Roseburg's City Council Tuesday night.

The property is now officially a part of the city, despite the vigorous efforts of the Plants to resist the annexation. The Plant property was completely surrounded by the incorporated area of the city.

The council moved to take in the property primarily on the philosophy that the Plants were receiving all the benefits of municipal residency without sharing in the responsibilities. The council also ordered the preparation of plans and specifications to initiate action on a proposed Garden Homes street paving project after City Manager Craig McMicken advised council the project has received 74 per cent property owner consent.

Hearings Held

In other council action, three public hearings were held. In one, the council moved to accept the work and make final payment to contractor in connection with the West Pilger sanitary sewer extension. An ordinance setting assessments for the NW Lynwood sewer extension was adopted following public hearing and an ordinance was adopted annexing property lying east of NW Kline Street and north of NW Calkins Road.

A renewal application for liquor dispenser's license from the Rose Room, 805 SE Stephens application for dispenser's license by Emma L. Wooley for new outlet at Roseburg Cafe, 503 SE Lane, was denied on recommendation of Police Chief John Truett who cited a "lack of demand, or necessity on the part of the public for another outlet in the immediate six-block area."

Roseburg Man Given Petty Larceny Term

Stewart Glen Turner, 19, of Rt. 4, Box 344, Roseburg, was sentenced to serve 10 days in the Douglas County jail and fined \$100 and \$5 costs, on a petty larceny charge. Turner was found guilty on jury trial last week, in connection with the theft of a tire and wheel of Austin Lynch Oct. 31. Sentencing was delayed until Tuesday.

Grieving Americans Plan To Follow Words Of Their Dead Young Leader

By United Press International
A grieving and heavy-hearted America prepared today to follow the words of its dead young President and gather in home and sanctuary to give thanks "for the glorious gifts of God."

George Washington, in proclaiming a day of "public thanksgiving and prayer" 174 years ago, asked Americans to call upon God and "beseech Him to pardon our national and other transgressions."

Stunned by a weekend of violence, the nation was ready to do that.

President Johnson called upon churches and synagogues to have the late President John F. Kennedy's Thanksgiving Day proclamation read at services Thursday "as a memorial to him."

"Let us gather in sanctuaries dedicated to worship and in homes blessed by family affection to express our gratitude for the glorious gifts of God," Kennedy said in his proclamation, his last. "Let us earnestly and humbly pray that he will continue to guide and sustain us in the great unfinished business of achieving peace, justice and unclashing a day of a pioneer family Thanksgiving Day for the traditional turkey dinner."

"As we express our gratitude," the President had said, "we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words but to live by them." Across the nation, Americans gathered together to heed his words. A big turkey was delivered Tuesday to the home at Hyannis Port, Mass., where the Kennedy family — probably including the President's widow and two children — were expected to gather Thursday.

In Ventura, Calif., 96 descend. The lone survivor of the first of the pioneer family that went to California in 1868 is Edwin S. Duval, who will be 84 Thursday.

Proceeds from the sale will be used in carrying on the welfare work at the center, 1515 SE Mill St., which is open on Wednesdays from 9:30 to 3 o'clock "for aid to any needy person, whatever his race or creed," she said.

Mrs. Blehm, who has directed activities at the center during 1963, was recently named to continue in the same capacity for 1964.

Charles A. Patchett

Charles A. (Pat) Patchett, 68, well known resident of Roseburg died Tuesday at a Roseburg hospital following a prolonged illness.

Patchett was born Feb. 7, 1895, in Ogdensburg, N.Y. He had lived in the Roseburg area for the past 41 years, moving here from Portland. He was married to Golda Swegle July 25, 1941 in Roseburg. He operated a service station on S.E. Stephens Street for many years and for the past 14 years owned and operated Pat's Tavern on S.E. Jackson St.

Mr. Patchett is survived by his wife, Golda, of Roseburg, and his step father L. J. Brink, of Klamath Falls.

Funeral services will be held at Wilson's Chapel of the Roses Friday at two p.m. with the Rev. Donald Smith of the Westside Christian Church officiating. Private concluding services and interment will follow at the Roseburg Memorial Gardens.

Food Sale Scheduled

A sale of home made bread, cakes and cookies will be held Friday, Nov. 29, at 722 SE Jackson St. between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., according to Mrs. Irene Blehm, leader of the Seventh-day Adventists' Dorcas Welfare Center which is sponsoring the sale.

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TRI-CITY SERVICES SET

Special Thanksgiving Day services will be held at 11:15 a.m. at St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Tri-City. All residents of the area are invited to attend. The Rev. E. C. Borchardt is pastor of the church.

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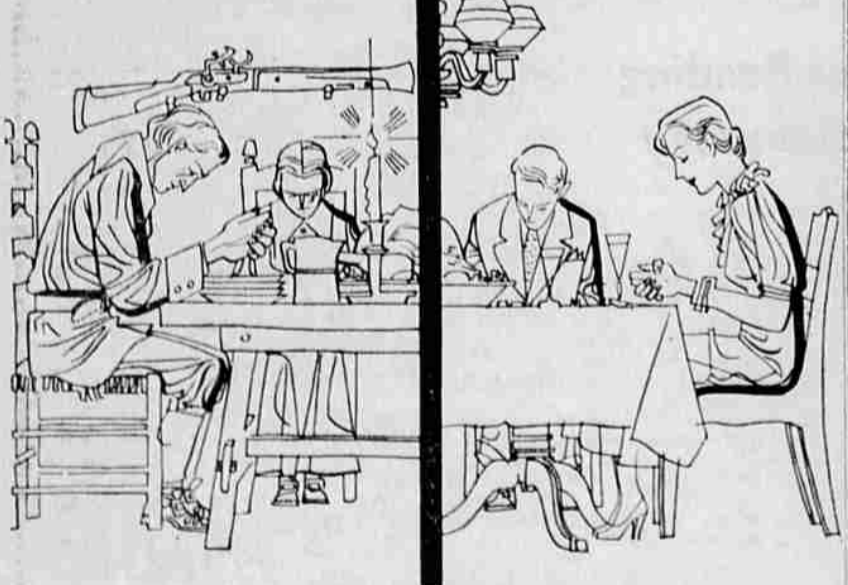
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