

The Weather

(Courtesy Cottage Grove Lake Weather Station)

	High	Low	Pre.
June 5	88	53	.00
June 6	74	47	.01
June 7	63	44	.00
June 8	74	44	.00
June 9	78	50	.00
June 10	67	45	.03
June 11	64	41	.36

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City Crews in Surprise Move Ask Pay Raises From Council

In a surprise move at city council session Monday night four employees representing the street, sewer, water and park crews asked council members for a cost-of-living wage raise.

Action came as a surprise even to L. W. Coiner, city engineer, who is in charge of the employees. "I did not know this was coming up," he said.

Mayor F. H. Doleman immediately turned negotiations over to the respective council committees, which met following council session with the four men.

First question asked by Councilman Richard Thwing of City Recorder Don Allen was how the men were affected by the budget just passed. Allen said that only the water crews worked by the hour, and that the rest of them were governed by the budget. Budget passed June 6 sets salaries, according to this interpretation.

Dented Fire, Police

"Since we did not grant an 8 per cent cost-of-living wage raise to the police and fire departments, how could we stay within the law by granting these men increases?" Thwing asked.

Asked if these men worked full time, Coiner replied, "Yes, when they want to."

The minimum hourly wage paid now by the city is \$1.35, with some men getting \$1.50. One crew spokesman said that Yoncalla recently raised its employees from \$1.60 to \$2 an hour, whereas Springfield and Eugene also paid about \$2.

Councilman Elmer Kent after examining the wage schedules and total monthly pay of the crews, said they were high, some reaching nearly \$300. However, Coiner explained this was due to overtime.

"Sometimes the men work overtime whether they want to or not, if they are needed," Coiner added. "We are subject to call 24 hours a day and our work is dirty," one crew member said.

To Report 16th

Thwing advocated a thorough analysis of the methods of payment and moved that the committee continue to thrash out the wage matter and make a report at the next council session on June 16.

The city engineer, meantime, was instructed to investigate the pay rates in other cities for the same type of work.

One crew member also brought up the vacation pay issue, commenting there was no such plan here.

Another city employee said that several good men had been lost to the city because of the seniority plan. He said that there should be a wage differential for a good man no matter how long he had been working.

The wage dispute comes after passing of the budget where most wages are already set. Police and fire departments tried to get a wage raise when budget group first met this spring, but this request was turned down.

Frazier Is Given 12-Year Sentence In Lee Slaying

John Frazier, 35, of Creswell, switched his plea to guilty of manslaughter last week in the "cold coffee" slaying of Edgar Lee and was sentenced to 12 years in the state penitentiary by Judge G. F. Skipton. Earlier last week Frazier pleaded in the case was set for June 16 with the charge second serving his sentence immediately.

Celbie Bowers, 19, also involved in the slaying, has stayed to his plea of not guilty, but no date has yet been set for his trial.

The two men were accused of beating Lee to death following an argument last November over a cold cup of coffee. According to the state's case Lee contended Frazier's wife put cold coffee in his thermos, which started an argument.

Lee's body was not discovered until last month when an unknown person led state police to the scene near Creswell.

VETERINARIAN LEAVES FOR CALIFORNIA PRACTICE

Dr. H. R. Hedler, who has been a veterinarian in Cottage Grove for the past year, will leave for Los Angeles this week. He and Mrs. Hedler came here from New York and established their business at the Joe Bricher residence on West Main Street, later moving to Sweet Lane.

Dr. Hedler expects to go into practice with another veterinarian in California. He said he was leaving on account of his health.

City Council in other business Monday night took the following action:

1. Voted to advertise for bids, to be opened June 23, on a new city tractor.

2. Read letter from Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co. concerning the local phone office location, which the city has called a "fire hazard." The company advised that "nothing feasible can be done to improve conditions."

Fire Chief Ernest Shipley had started earlier to the council and the phone company that in case of fire in the hotel rooms above the office, occupied often by transients, that the area's communication system would be put out.

3. Okayed ordering of carload of 10-inch cast iron pipe at a cost of about \$4,400 to be used to replace old, worn out pipe on the city's west side.

4. Engineer authorized to get quotation on a carload of 6-inch pipe. Costs of all pipe will be paid for out of present available funds.

5. Ordinance 1390 passed, which authorizes the tax levy of \$76,704.92 to operate the city for the next fiscal year.

6. Passed ordinance 1391 which gives the go-ahead for improvements on Taylor for street widening to be made on Tenth street near the high school.

7. Passed ordinance 1392 for improvements on Taylor from Sixth to the last house at the foot of the hill. Notices to property owners are to be posted and time allowed for remonstrance before bids are called for the contracts.

8. Passed Resolution 422 authorizing the state audit of the city's books, also allowing for the city recorder to set up such an accounting system as the state might recommend. City attorney reminded council that according to state law the audit would continue unless the state is given six months written notice.

9. Planning Commission held formal hearing on rezoning of area on near east side from commercial and residential to industrial. Since no citizens came to remonstrate, commission adjourned meeting.

3-Car Mishap Ends in Jail For Curtin Man

A Curtin man, involved in a three-car accident at the west city limits Tuesday night in which two cars were demolished and several persons injured, was fined \$250 and costs and sentenced to 90 days in county jail in Justice Court Wednesday. He was found guilty of driving under the influence of alcohol.

The man was Roy Wolford Whiting, 51, of Curtin. In a complaint signed by one of the accident victims he is said to have sideswiped one car as he was driving west on Lorne road near the city limits and hit another car head-on. Whiting's car and the car involved in the head-on crash were demolished.

Whiting was taken to Cottage Grove hospital for head injuries and was committed to jail by police shortly afterward. Judge Wells said he would suspend the sentence if the fine were paid by Thursday. Meanwhile Whiting remains in city jail.

Family Treated

Also given out-patient treatment were Whiting's wife and two small children, age about 1 and 2 years. Another small child was not hurt.

Simon Woolery of Lorne, another passenger in Whiting's car, also was treated for slight injuries.

Driver of the car which was sideswiped was Mrs. Pauline Tucker of Blackbutte route, and a cousin, Frank Wright, was a passenger. Mr. and Mrs. Joe E. Sarratt of Lorne were in the car that was hit head-on. None received serious injuries.

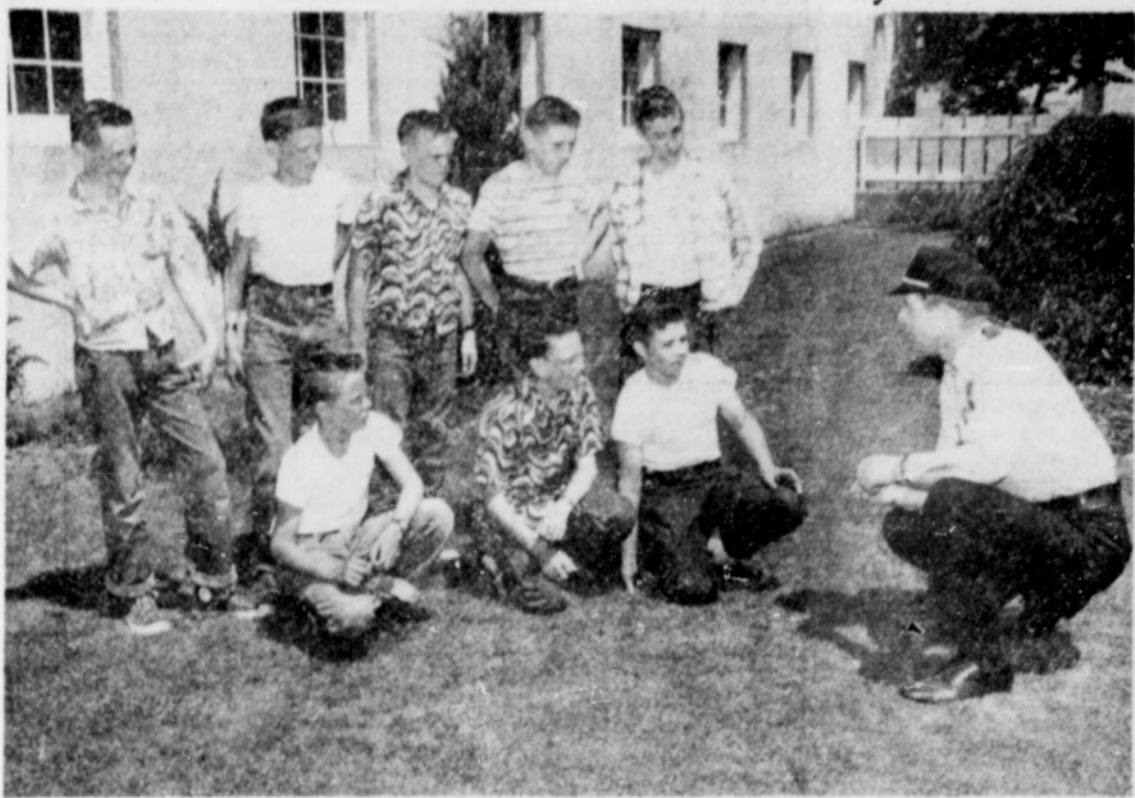
Another accident victim treated at Cottage Grove hospital Tuesday night was Charles Ray Shannon of Portland, who was hurt in a Greyhound bus and car collision near Yoncalla.

ROW RIVER HUSTLERS TO SELECT LUMBS 13TH FOR AUGUST FAIR SHOW

The Row River Hustlers will meet Friday, June 13, at the George Woodworth home to select lumbos to be shown at the South Lane Fair at Jefferson school grounds in August.

The 4-H club held a meeting on June 4 at the home of Raymond Wicks on Row River.

Junior Police Take Job Seriously



Clark Studio Photo

THE FIRST GROUP OF CITY JUNIOR POLICE receive instructions from Police Chief Ed Jones, (far right) who is directing the program with the aid of C. H. Roberts, assistant chief. Shown in the picture are (kneeling, left to right) David Thun, captain; Kim Forrester and Jim Hoover, patrolmen. (Standing, left to right) Dale Smeltzer, chief; Bill Coston, patrolman; Mace McCoy, secretary; Don Crane and Franklin Satterwhite, patrolmen. Absent was James Faulkner, sergeant.

Other new members added since the picture was taken include the following: Roy and Tom Mueller, Dick Thwing, Tom Burge, David Cutts, Stanley Harris, Dick Holmes, Pat Rickard and Alex Stapleton. All boys are from 10 to 14, with several more now on the waiting list. Two other local boys showed their eagerness to join last Friday night when they apprehended a reckless driver and reported him to police. Twelve-year-olds George Crawford and Tom Hutzler spotted car near hospital and reported make, license number and color. As a result Gilbert Gavin Young of California, the driver, was arrested and fined \$59 in municipal court later on the driving charge.

Four Girls Enter Rodeo Queen Contest; Kickoff Parade Postponed Until June 21

Nine New Teachers Named for Grades

Nine new teachers will greet grade school students in Cottage Grove next fall, all named to replace those who have resigned their positions.

The list of new teachers was released this week by Elmer W. Fleming, superintendent.

Theodore Havlicek, who has been doing graduate work at the University of Oregon and teaching band at Monroe on a part-time basis for two years, will replace Elwood Rickman. Mr. Rickman will teach in Ketchikan, Alaska.

Darle Hermann, who has just completed her master's degree at Stanford university, will teach art in junior high at Jefferson and replaces Elsie Montgomery.

Taught in Portland

New teachers at Harrison will include Luella Doggett, who has been teaching in Portland for the past three years. She will receive her master's degree at the University of Oregon this summer. Her marriage to Verlin Odell, Cottage Grove high school teacher, is to be an event of this month. She replaces Eloise Williams in the fourth grade.

Mary Lou McKenzie, a Bend teacher for the past two years, will take the place in the fourth grade of Billie Endrup, who plans to attend the University of Oregon this summer.

Irene Nosen, who comes from a teaching position at Coquille, replaces June Lundy as a fifth grade teacher. Miss Lundy plans to attend Southern Oregon college at Ashland.

Comes From La Grande

Wanda Shaw, a graduate of Eastern Oregon college at La Grande, will teach second grade and replaces Kathleen Ford, who will teach in Eugene. Gertrude Elliott, who has her degree from Northwest Nazarene college and has taught first grade in Idaho for the past nine years, will take the place of Grace Hammond as a first grade teacher. Miss Hammond also will teach in Eugene.

Replacing Eileen Funk as another first grade teacher will be Alice Stuart, who also comes from Idaho, where she has taught nine years.

Barbara Ann Gibbons, who has just completed her work at Western Washington College of Education, will teach fourth grade to replace Anne Toftner, who has left to be with a sister in Minnesota.

LOCAL GIRL GRADUATES

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Workman and Elizabeth attended baccalaureate services and commencement Sunday and Monday at Oregon State college. Miss Jeannette Workman received her bachelor of science degree in Home Economics at this time.

Six Grove, Creswell Students Graduate At U of O June 15

Three persons from Cottage Grove and three from Creswell are among the more than 1,300 University of Oregon students who will receive degrees at the 75th commencement on Sunday, June 15.

The services will be held at 2:30 p.m. at McArthur Court. Those from Cottage Grove include Herbert W. Lombard Jr., bachelor of science in liberal arts; Walter C. Martin Jr., bachelor of music; and Cora H. Dailey, bachelor of science in education.

Those from Creswell are Kenneth G. Lowe, bachelor of arts in liberal arts; John B. Harr, master of education; and Doris Ditto, master of science in education.

National Guard To Leave 14th For Fort Lewis

Cottage Grove's National Guard unit, including 53 men and officers of Headquarters, 162nd Infantry, will be among some 5,000 Oregon and Washington guardsmen to attend the 41st Infantry Division's summer encampment June 14 to 28 at Fort Lewis, Wash.

The local group will be under the command of Capt. Joseph Baile, with company officers including Lt. Edwin J. Maloney, Lt. Owen V. Sloan, Lt. Harry D. Sturges and Lt. Louis S. Wiese.

Also attending from here will be Chaplain (Capt.) Clark S. Enz, who will serve as a regimental chaplain at the encampment.

Leave by Bus

The Cottage Grove unit will leave by bus at 5 a.m. Saturday, June 14. Other guardsmen will be leaving their home stations by motor convoy, train and bus for the trip to Northeast Fort Lewis. Advance detachments will depart two days ahead of the main bodies of troops.

A few units of the famed Sunset division, including anti-aircraft artillery outfits, will go to the Yakima, Wash., firing center for summer training.

Governor's Parade

This year's encampment will be the division's fourth joint summer training period for Oregon and Washington units since World War II. Big event of the two weeks is the annual Governor's Day parade at Fort Lewis, June 21.

At last year's parade, Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon and Gov. Arthur B. Langlie of Washington reviewed the division together for the first time since the war.

Another feature will be a four-day division bivouac, in the field, with all units participating in realistic training exercises to repel "aggressor" forces.

Maj. Gen. Harold G. Maison of Salem, will be in command of the division. Brig. Gen. George S. Cook of Seattle is assistant division commander.

The American Legion at its meeting held last Thursday made plans for installation of new officers in special ceremonies June 19 at the Armory.

In charge of the services will be Jim Murphy of Junction City, district commander, and the Junction City degree team.

Officers to be installed include Ramon Fryer, commander; Robert Eyle, first vice commander; Ray Denham, second vice commander; Dan Olsen, finance officer, and Wilbur Workman Jr., adjutant.

Also at the June 19 meeting delegates and alternates to the department convention at Klamath Falls July 25 to August 2 will be named.

The annual Legion picnic was announced for July 17, time and place to be named later. After this event meetings will be adjourned until September 4.

SUMMER BAND PROGRAM ANNOUNCED BY LEADER

Rehearsals are set to start Monday, June 30, for the summer public school band program under the direction of the new leader, Ted Havlicek. Mr. Havlicek has been at the University of Oregon and teaching part time at Monroe schools.

Three groups will practice, the beginning, intermediate and advanced. First appearance of the band will be July 3 at the Albany Timber carnival. Plans will be announced later for summer band concerts at the city park in Cottage Grove.

City's Near \$136,000 Budget Passed in Second Voting 6th

City Will Open Sewer System Bond Bids 16th

Bids on the city's \$225,000 sewer bonds will be opened for the second time when city council meets in special session Monday evening, June 16.

The council voted to re-advertise for the sale of the bonds after reflecting disappointment over the single bid for \$300,000 in bonds at the first opening of bids on May 19. At a special session on the 22nd council voted to re-advertise for only \$225,000 in bonds after viewing the 12 bids for the construction of the sewage disposal plant, which were considerably lower than expected.

The contract for the building of the plant on a site northeast of the city will probably also be let the 16th if a bid is accepted on the bonds.

Low bidder on the job and recommended by the Corvallis engineering firm of Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield is Henry Den Herder of Lebanon. His low lump sum bid was \$110,407.90, with equipment to raise the cost to \$151,049.90. The Corvallis engineering firm made all the surveys for the system, including a bond prospectus.

Factors Blamed

The prospectus has been sent out to about 30 prospective bidders. Some councilmen blamed the failure to receive more bids on the fact that it was not sent out before the first bids were opened. Another factor involved, according to the city attorney, was the tax structure of the city.

He said that the area in which taxes could be raised was too limited and also pointed out the overlapping school districts with their heavy indebtedness.

Another factor involved, according to councilmen, was the debt still owed on construction of the water line leading to the reservoir.

It was brought out at the first bid opening that the prospectus had not been mailed from the city hall office because the proposed water system statistics were included with the sewer program. Councilmen said they felt that bond bidders should be informed of the future plans regarding a water system as well as being able to study various types of vital data concerning the city itself.

Students Start 'Neighborhood News' As Local Junior Journalism Venture



Sentinel Photo

Cottage Grove's youngest journalists deliver their "Neighborhood News" to subscriber Roberta Wells. Staff members include (from left to right) Wayne Dailey, David Nystrom and Phillip Prager.

The Sentinel now has competition in the weekly newspaper field with the advent of the Neighborhood News. First copy ran off the presses (?) June 2, with another issue delivered this week.

The first edition begins with the announcement that "Our new paper is on sale." Phillip Prager is editor; David Nystrom is business manager and Wayne Dailey, reporter. All the staff members are Cottage Grove grade school students. Also helping with the first edition was Faye Espeseth. Early editions are hand printed on long, lined paper, but the editor informed us this was quite a job

Cottage Grove's near \$136,000 budget to operate the city during the 1952-53 fiscal year passed by 41 votes in the second special election held here Friday, June 6.

A total of 369, or only a little over 100 more citizens turned out to vote than went to the polls in the first election May 2 when the budget was defeated by 30 votes. The vote tally in each ward and precinct was as follows:

	For	Against
Ward 1, Precinct 1	64	35
Ward 2, Precinct 2	53	31
Ward 2, Precinct 3	57	36
Ward 3, Precinct 4	31	62

205 164

After the tally was read at city council meeting Monday night, a general laugh went up from councilmen who commented, "Precinct 4 is up to its usual tricks."

This precinct has never passed a budget yet," another councilman quipped.

More of an active effort was made to get out the vote before the second election, which some councilmen said was responsible for passage.

Total budget for the year is \$135,935.92. Total tax levy will be \$76,704.92, with the amount outside the 6 per cent limitation at \$41,805.70. Total millage levy will be about 85 to 90 mills, which includes levies for city school districts, county and state. Actual levy will not be decided until later in the summer when assessed valuations will be made. They have been on a slight increase ever since World War II.

Bridge Fund Started

Passing of the budget will mean that an \$18,000 sinking fund has been started for the first time for a new West Main street bridge, which has been termed "dangerous" by the city engineer.

An extra paid fireman also will be hired by Fire Chief Ernest Shipley. He said that one was especially needed with the large rural area now covered by the department.

Other items allowed in the budget for the fire department are clothing allowances and new equipment.

Volunteer firemen, working now without pay because funds ran out, probably will be assured of pay all next year as more funds were budgeted. They are paid for time put in actually fighting fires.

Another much needed service has been added, which has been absent for two years, and that is janitorial service. Deterioration of the building due to neglect caused budget group members to put this item back in. Firemen and policemen have been keeping up their own quarters.

A new city hall heating plant also will go in as an added improvement.

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