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IN HIS FIRST official act, new mayor Jim Wilson signs proclamation setting Oct. 15-21 as National Business Women's Week in Port Orford. To highlight the week, BPW will hold their annual county store on Oct. 19-20 at the Co-op building. With Wilson, left to right, are: Ruth Moyer, corresponding secretary; president Mary Price; Louise Hahn, ways and means chairman; Maude Weil, hospitality chairman.

Wilson Takes Mayor Post; McWilliams New Alderman

DA Miller Quits Post

Curry County District Attorney Robert L. Miller revealed he will resign his position effective Dec. 1, and Gold Beach attorney William Wallace will be appointed as deputy to serve until the governor makes an appointment to fill the position.



ROBERT L. MILLER

Miller made the announcement last Wednesday during a meeting of the Curry County Board of Commissioners after he was questioned in regard to the possibility by Commissioner H. E. Timeus.

Commissioner Timeus asked Miller, "Did you tell me you plan to resign... if so when?" "I'm going to resign... I'll appoint Bill Wallace as my deputy. He needs a breaking-in period," Miller answered. He told the board Wallace would be appointed deputy and begin serving on Oct. 31. Miller would then resign effective Dec. 1.

The district attorney attributed his resignation to illness. He said he was advised last spring to get away from the pressures of the job because of a stomach disorder. "I had decided to take a leave-of-absence but this creates problems," he said. He had announced earlier he would take a three to four month leave-of-absence.

"At first I came back to work against medical advice 9 days after surgery and thought I would try to continue on and work out a way to take a leave of absence. This would involve a lot of bookkeeping for the state to transfer my salary to a deputy. I finally decided I would come back to the same work schedule, stress and turmoil (after a leave of absence).

"It is a lot easier to just resign... I'm going to resign," he concluded. "If I took a leave-of-absence I'd come back to the same pressures. There has been a lot of tension in the county lately... I've found myself in the middle," he added. "When I started this job you fellows all got along," Miller said. In addition to serving as district attorney he is legal advisor to the County Board of Commissioners.

Hatfield Seeks Cattle Conference

Senator Mark O. Hatfield (R-Ore) announced recently that he has co-sponsored a bill to call an annual conference about the nation's cattle industry. Hatfield joined with several other Senators to sponsor a measure to bring representatives of the beef industry and the Agriculture Department together to consider all problems of beef production.

The Oregon Republican said conference members also will discuss international trade and beef export. Hatfield told the Senate: "... sales of beef animals account for fully one quarter of all farm income. Therefore, any steps that can be taken to assist in the strengthening of domestic and foreign markets for this commodity will have wide benefits to livestock producers and processors across the country."

Hand coloring of black and white photographs probably began about 1840.

Two new members will join the ranks of the city council when they convene next month. James B. Wilson accepted appointment to the mayor's post Wednesday morning and John W. (Red) McWilliams accepted appointment as alderman last week.

Wilson, local manager of Coos-Curry Electric Co-op, has previously served on the city budget committee, was chamber of commerce president, Quarterback Club president, Christmas Association president, Lions Club president and is active in other civic projects.



JOHN McWILLIAMS

McWilliams is a former council member, has served as president of the Rotary Club, twice, Quarterback Club, chamber of commerce, is a lifetime member of the Jaycees, was named one year as Education Citizen, and also is involved in other community activities.

City Judge Loraine Haines said she will hold oath-of-office ceremonies for McWilliams as soon as he returns to the city. The mayor was sworn in Wednesday.

Family Aid Studied

At a meeting Oct. 17 at the Multi-Service Center located at the fairgrounds, the Area Council for the local Community Action Program discussed the needs and problems of low income families and how the multi-service center can provide assistance to persons needing help.

The problems of inadequate education, poor mental and physical health, unemployment, bad housing and disorganized family life all contribute to a feeling of hopelessness and isolation from society. These problems are prime targets for the local multi-service center, according to director Fred Flynn. The Rev. Wayne Julier pointed out the need for vocational training in the county and also stressed the important role played by the Family Service Clinic. The family service aides working out of the neighborhood Center will be an important factor in referring people to the clinic who need counseling, Rev. Julier said.

The Council was enthusiastic in adopting Mrs. Diane Black's proposal for sewing classes to be held soon at the Center.

Another project will be the collection of used appliances, dishes, pots and pans, and furniture for people in need or who suffer sudden loss. Such articles may be brought to the Center at the fairgrounds, where they will be sorted and stored until needed.

Mrs. Dollie Jean Adams is the Family Service aide for the Gold Beach area. Persons needing help, or knowing of someone in need can telephone her at CH 7-8901.

Hunting End Near

Oregon deer hunters will wrap up the season on the mule deer ranges of eastern Oregon this weekend, with the general season in this part of the state scheduled to close one-half hour after sundown Sunday, Oct. 22.

Hunters who fail to score up to that time have ample opportunity in the western part of the state, with the season on the blacktail ranges, except for the Rogue and Keno units, scheduled to extend through Nov. 5. The general season in the Rogue and Keno units close on Oct. 29.

Open area for the season extending to Nov. 5 includes all of western Oregon west of the (continued page 6)

Oregon's Location, Resources, Brighten Outlook For Future

Oregon State University—Oregon's location, its land resources, climate, abundant water, and long Pacific Ocean border are assets that have taken on tremendous value and that offer great promise for economic development in the future, the head of the Oregon State University Geography Department believes.

During the first century of its history, Oregon's "way-out-west" location resulted in a considerable disadvantage, Dr. Richard M. Highsmith pointed out.

Today, the state is marginal to the most rapidly-growing area of the nation, he noted in a special paper prepared for the OSU-sponsored conference on "The Environment of Oregon - Present and Future."

New markets are opening, transportation cost disadvantages are disappearing, and the new federal highway system is helping facilitate faster movement of products, Highsmith observed.

Oregon's land resources are a blessing, mixed with a problem and a challenge, Highsmith said.

The blessing is that most of Oregon is suited to some kind of commercial production. And plenty of open space still is available.

The problem, at the moment, centers around the Willamette Valley, which contains a lion's share of the state's highest-quality land—and population, says Highsmith. The long-standing use of the land for agricultural production is coming under increasing competition for use as "surface space" for urban and business purposes.

The challenge that's ahead is whether the state can handle the anticipated continued growth and expansion in an orderly manner, Highsmith believes.

Can the potential be developed without falling prey to the problems other areas have encountered—smog, water pollution, disorganized development, urban and commercial sprawl on prime cropland?

At present, he noted, about 50 per cent of the state's 61,572,480 acres are in forests and woodlands; 36 per cent, range land and grassland pastures; 9 per cent, croplands; 5 per cent, urban centers, highways, etc.

Oregon's climate is an attraction for tourists and is helping draw increasing numbers of people and businesses to Oregon, Highsmith stated. Again, the challenge is to maintain the state's "livability" with hundreds of thousands more living here.

Water deserves particular mention, the geographer says.

"Important in the past and the present development of Oregon, it likely will be even more significant in the future. It offers a major opportunity for the intensification of use of croplands. Presently, about 1,650,000 farm acres are irrigated; it is probably that this figure could be at least doubled," in Western Oregon and along

the Columbia and its tributaries, water availability offers a major industrial asset, he noted.

The long border on the Pacific provides opportunities that are shared by comparatively few states, Highsmith continued. Oregon has become a research leader in the study of the sea and it "stands to profit greatly" from this in the future, he predicted.

In its future development, Oregon needs to learn from the lessons provided by the experiences of other areas that have gone through rapid growth, Highsmith stressed.

The nearby San Francisco Bay area, Santa Clara Valley, and Los Angeles lowland "provide us with examples of rapid, uncontrolled growth and the unnecessary loss of some resource value and environmental quality," he emphasized.

Oregon can avoid most of these problems with foresight, coordinated planning efforts, and improved scientific and technological means, he concluded.

Recall Moves Ahead

Petitions seeking a recall election for Curry County Commissioner H. E. Timeus are expected to be distributed throughout the county this week. Citizens for Unity Committee chairman Dick Barklow said today.



H. E. TIMEUS

The petitions will require the signatures of 752 registered voters to bring the issue to a vote. After certification of the petitions, Timeus will have five days to consider resignation, before the election is set and ballots are printed.

Reasons for the recall, as stated on the petitions, are as follows:

"That Commissioner Timeus has failed or refused to adopt a course of action in the future that would cure or alleviate past undesirable conduct in office as follows:

(1) That Commissioner Timeus has failed to act in good taste and with dignity in office.

(2) That Commissioner Timeus has demonstrated that he cannot disagree without being disagreeable.

(3) That Commissioner Timeus has indulged in personalities rather than discussing issues.

(4) That Commissioner Timeus has created bad press relations and caused Curry County to receive undesirable publicity."

In explaining the committee's vote for recall, Barklow said that the will of the majority was being carried out and that 10 of the original 14 members had signed the recall sponsorship affidavit. One member, who voted for recall, was not eligible to sign the affidavit because of a mix-up in his registration.

Halloween Dance Slated

The local Jaycee club announced this week that they are sponsoring a public costume dance on Halloween, Tuesday, Oct. 31, at the Beachcomber's Cove.

The event will get underway at 8 p.m. and close at midnight. Music will be by a three-piece combo. Admission will be \$1 per person or \$1.75 per couple.

istration; one voted No because he wanted two commissioners recalled, and one member dropped out. In the present analysis, only two members remain in opposition to the recall.

This is contrary to a press release issued Monday by Timeus, in which he implied to 10 news media representatives, that only one-third of the committee was backing the recall movement.

(The petition to recall Commissioner H. E. Timeus was filed in the Curry County clerk's office at 10 a. m. Wednesday. —Ed.)

United Fund Appeal Starts

Harry Beukelman, executive director of the United Appeal, spoke before the Rotary, Oct. 17, and gave a few statistics on United Appeal in Curry County.

United Appeal in Curry County took care of eight children, five boys and three girls in home for a period of 1,069 days, four unwed mothers, two babies, two toddlers and one mother with child for a total of 16. Monies for this came from Oregon United Appeal.

Gil Rush, local First National Bank manager, has been in charge of Oregon United Appeal in the Port Orford area for four years and has raised in excess of \$2,000 for children in Curry County. This is the last of Oregon's true charities, Rush stated.

The United Appeal takes care of 6000 children annually from Oregon alone.

Rush has the following workers helping with the drive that started Tuesday, Oct. 17: Mrs. Helen Stole, Mrs. Peggy Wagner, Mrs. Gurlah Marsh, Mrs. Maude Weir, Mrs. Beverly McKenzie, Mrs. Gracie McKenzie and Mrs. Muriel Gehrke.

Game Commission Announces Hearing

Oregon fishermen and other interested persons are advised that Nov. 3 at 10 a.m. is the time scheduled by the Game Commission to hold its annual public hearing to consider regulations for the 1968 angling season. The meeting will be held at the Commission's Portland headquarters, 1634 S. W. Alder.

At the hearing, angling regulations for the coming year will be discussed, including proposed changes and new rules recommended by the staff. Recommendations proposed by the public will also be considered at that time. Following the hearing, a tentative set of rules will be adopted and provided the news media throughout the state.

On Nov. 17, the Commission will reconvene and review the tentative set of rules. Any changes or additions will be made on that date. Regulations adopted at this meeting will become final for the 1968 season. All interested persons are invited to attend.



CROWNING THE QUEEN. Last year's Homecoming Queen Pam Mayea places the crown on Mina Wing, 1967 Queen, at ceremonies last Friday at Pacific high school.

PORT ORFORD SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT	
COUNCIL MEMBERS	
HARRY PRICE	HERBERT THASE
ORRIS SWICK	JAMES PETERSON
ADOLPH WINDMAYER	ERVIN SEVERNS
CITY OFFICIALS	
FRANK BY CLAIR, MAYOR	LOLAINE HAINES
CITY RECORDER	ROSE MANG
CITY TREASURER	FRANK M. MORRIS
PUBLIC WORKS SUPT.	LYNNE MANUTT
CITY ATTORNEY	
CONSTRUCTED WITH THE GENEROUS COOPERATION OF THE FOLLOWING GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES	
FARM HOME ADMINISTRATION	
FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ADMINISTRATION	
CURRY COUNTY COURT	
FEEL CAMPBELL	JUDGE
BOB JOHNSON	COMMISSIONER
H. E. TIMEUS	COMMISSIONER

NEW BRONZE plaque has been placed on front of building at sewer treatment plant.

Plans Made For UNICEF Drive

A list stitch to a witch's costume, a final burning of corks to use as makeup, and all is ready, just in time. In a few days Halloween will summon boys and girls to the streets of Port Orford, to show off their newly acquired personalities of ghosts, goblins and space-men.

Under the auspices of the eighth grade class, some boys and girls will not be collecting for themselves, but to help the world's needy children. They will neither ask for candy nor apples, but for pennies, nickels and dimes which will send milk and medicine where they are most needed.

The UNICEF Trick or Treaters will be officially identified by the UNICEF seal on their collection cartons. Every penny they receive can mean five glasses of milk or the vaccine to protect a less fortunate child from tuberculosis.

The program is endorsed by President Johnson and civic and religious leaders. It will take place in over 13,000 American communities, with the participation of about 3.5 million children. Locally, it is organized by the eighth grade class of Battle Rock School.

Local Deposits Down; Loans Up

In response to the U. S. Comptroller of the Currency's quarterly statement of condition call, First National Bank of Oregon has released third-quarter deposit, loan and total resource figures which exceed those for any comparable date in the bank's 102-year history.

President Ralph J. Voss announced record high deposits of \$1,408,981,331 and loans of \$865,742,256 were listed Oct. 4, the official call date. These figures represent increases of more than \$140 million in deposits and \$23 million in loans over the previous third quarter. Gains over the mid-year 1967 totals are \$60.8 million in deposits and \$15.7 million in loans.

Total resources of the state's largest bank climbed about \$127 million to a third-quarter high of \$1,552,362,353.

The Port Orford branch of First National reported deposits of \$2,854,412.66 and loans outstanding of \$1,076,420.12 on the call date, according to Manager G. B. Rush.

Comparable totals for the branch a year ago were \$2,963,959.68 in deposits and \$946,646.36 in loans.