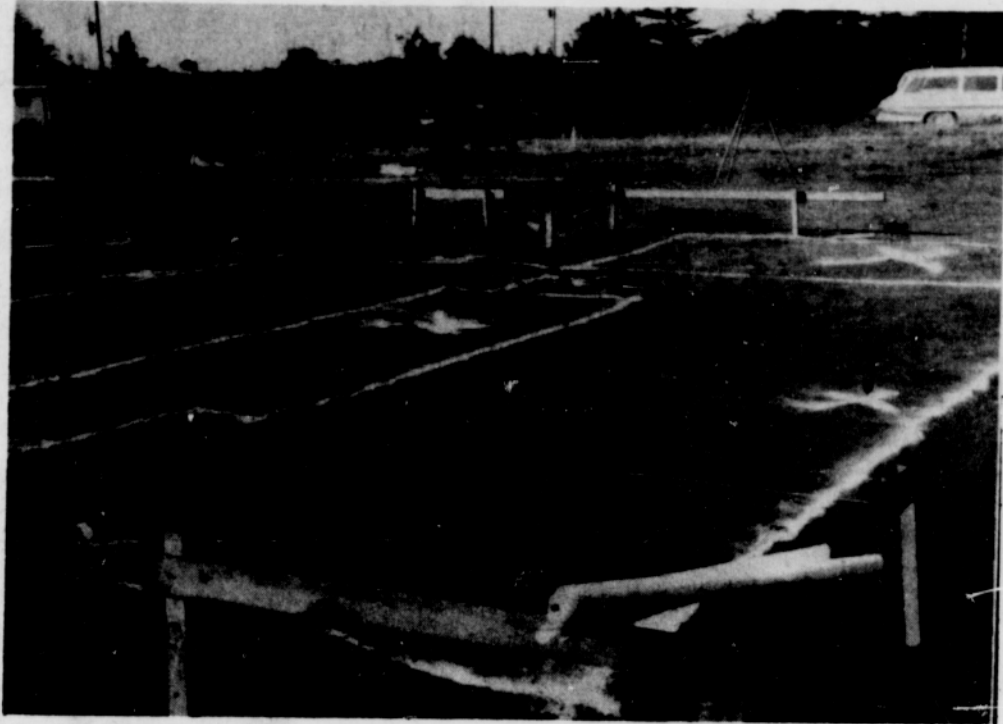


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HORTON BROS. Construction Co. of Brookings this week began laying for foundation forms for the new city hall addition. Area in foreground will contain jail section, fire hall area in background.

Campbell Bound To Grand Jury

C. Fell Campbell, chairman of the Curry County Board of Commissioners, was ordered bound over to the Grand Jury on a charge of assault with a dangerous weapon Tuesday afternoon by District Court Judge Sam Hall following a two and a half hour preliminary hearing in the Circuit Court chambers of the Curry county courthouse.

The charge was brought by fellow commissioner H. E. Timeus as a result of an alleged incident in which Timeus claims Campbell hit him over the head with a glass ash tray on the afternoon of Sept. 6, during a meeting of commissioners in the courthouse.

Timeus told the court that Vern Kolen, a Gold Beach insurance man and president of the board of Coos-Curry Electric Co-op, had met with commissioners on that date to try and alleviate dissension among commissioners. Only the three commissioners and Kolen were present. In answer to a question

from Kolen, Timeus told him that trouble had started about three months before when he and commissioners Campbell and Ryce Wilson had met to discuss mud problems in the Rogue River.

At that time, Timeus said, he had attempted to shake hands with Campbell and offered to

try and get along in the future. But, Timeus said, he told me to kiss his... (posterior) (Editor's interpretation), so I called him an Arkie S. O. B.

Timeus said he asked Wilson to verify this for Kolen but Wilson, instead, said that Campbell had only told Timeus to take his hand and shove it if he

wouldn't attempt to conduct himself as a gentleman at future meetings. Campbell concurred in this, Timeus added, then told me he wouldn't stand anymore of my lying. We both jumped up from our chairs and Campbell said that he would kill me... then hit me with an ash tray. Timeus said he still had his glasses on when the blow struck but was slightly dazed and couldn't remember how many times he had been hit. "It was at least once," Timeus said, "but the doctor told me it looked like several blows."

Timeus said after the blow he started around his desk to get a chair to protect himself but that Wilson stopped him. Campbell then told me he was sorry he'd hit me with the ash tray and we shook hands.

A blotter said to be from Timeus' desk and containing alleged blood stains was refused by the court because of insufficient evidence to show that the spots were blood. Timeus said the blotter had been locked in the trunk of his county car since the incident. Judge Hall said because the spots had not been analyzed, it could not be proven that they were blood.

Timeus said the cut from the blow on the back of his head required four stitches.

On cross-examination, Timeus told Roger Todd, attorney for the defense, that there had been unrest among commissioners for over one year. He again stated he only knew for sure he had been struck once... but had not seen what he was hit with. He also said he was restrained from using a chair but that the chair had not been used... and that Campbell had not chased him.

State witness Dr. William R. Caughran, Gold Beach, said he had treated Timeus for the cuts, consisting of three scratches and one laceration about one-inch long. He said they were very minor and that three stitches were required in one cut and one stitch in another. The cuts and scratches covered an area about three and a half inches in length and could have been made by one or more blows, the doctor testified. He further said he found no glass... could not say what Timeus had been hit with and that he didn't tell the commissioner he had been hit more than once. He added that Timeus asked him to measure the length of the cuts.

Kolen confirmed the statement made by Timeus that he had appeared before commissioners to try and resolve their differences. But, he said, when Timeus related the story of the meeting on the mud problem, and commissioner Wilson disagreed that Campbell had told Timeus to kiss his posterior, Timeus became upset and shouted that it was a C... D... lie, then removed his glasses, pushed his chair back and stood up ready to fight Campbell.

Campbell tapped his desk with an ash tray to restore order, Kolen said, and Timeus sat back down. Then Timeus started telling me of several things... like a boat ramp site lease and vehicle bids... to point out how the other two commissioners were mistreating him. Kolen said, and when Campbell corrected Timeus he became very mad... then he called Campbell a lying S. O. B., pushed his chair back and jumped up facing Campbell in a fighting position.

At the same instant, Kolen remembered, Campbell and I both rose and Campbell said, "Heck I've had enough of this," and hit Timeus just as I placed my hands on both men to stop them. Kolen noted that he didn't see what Timeus was hit with, either, and that only one blow was struck.

Kolen added that Wilson had stopped Timeus from using a chair and had applied a handkerchief to stop the blood from Timeus' head, and that Campbell immediately left the room to his private office to get some Kleenex to stop the blood from cuts on his right hand. Campbell returned and sat down with his hand over a waste basket. Kolen said he told Mrs. Ira Wilson, secretary, to get sheriff Allen Boice and that Campbell shook hands with Timeus and apologized. Campbell did not tell Timeus he would "kill" him, Kolen testified, or make any threatening statements. Campbell remained mild, tried to calm Timeus and adjourn the meeting, did not become profane or lose his temper at any time.

Timeus, Kolen said, became agitated often during the session and never put his glasses back on after taking them off the first time he got up from his chair. He said he was convinced that Timeus was going after Campbell.

Commissioner Ryce Wilson substantiated Kolen's account of the incident, but added that Timeus had picked up the steel chair and was starting back for Campbell when he stopped him. Wilson said he kept a hand on Timeus until the sheriff arrived, when both men were shaking hands.

Commissioner Campbell declined his right to make a statement or produce witnesses.

Judge Hall ruled that there was sufficient evidence that a crime had been committed and said the case would be handed over to the Grand Jury. Campbell was released on his own recognizance.

Deputy District Attorney Thomas Brownhill, Eugene, presented the case for the State.

Recall Sought For Two More

Recall petitions for Curry County Commissioners C. Fell Campbell and Ryce Wilson were filed in Gold Beach Monday by the Committee for Orderly Progress (COP), a Brookings group naming William J. Guthrie as treasurer.

A recall petition for Commissioner H. E. Timeus was filed last week by the Citizens for Unity.

The petition for the recall of Commissioner Campbell alleges that Campbell has failed to adopt a course of action which is "within the calling of his office and that this behavior and conduct has been such as to bring disgrace to public office."

Campbell failed to act in good taste and dignity in office, the petition alleges, and "has demonstrated he cannot disagree without being disagreeable; engaged in actions which resulted in the alleged physical abuse of a fellow commissioner."

The petition says Campbell "demonstrated that he cannot work in accord with his fellow commissioner, in that he has made statements concerning his actions toward said commissioner in the event of his recall, even before such a recall was instituted."

The petition for the recall of Commissioner Ryce Wilson says Wilson "failed to arbitrate the issues with his fellow commissioners; has in fact sided with one member on numerous occasions, which has resulted in further cleavage in the commission."

Petitioners say "that if commissioner Wilson were to be the remaining member of the court, if the recall of Commissioners Timeus and Campbell were successful, his continued presence on the court would detrimentally effect the efforts of any election to the court."

Commissioner Wilson is said in the petition to have "demonstrated a hesitancy to carry out the wishes of those who elected him by publicly stating that he

was considering his resignation from the commission."

The Committee for Orderly Progress is a Curry county organization different in membership from the Citizens for Unity Committee which is headed by Dick Barklow, Langlois.

The recall against Timeus was sponsored by the Citizens for Unity Committee.

Petitioners require the signatures of 752 registered Curry county voters to bring the issues to a vote. After certification of signatures by the Curry county clerk, the commissioner for whom the signatures are certified will have five days in which to resign. Election would be within 25 days of certification of signatures if the commissioners do not resign, according to Curry county clerk Bernard I. Mather.

Chamber Election Slated In December

Annual election of the chamber of commerce will be held the first meeting in December. Elected will be three directors for three year terms, and one two year term.

The committee, Bertha Bergstrom, Delbert Neal and Dick Hadley, will submit nominations at the last meeting in November. Two names will be selected for each position; to Gil Rush, Dal Weir and Ira Tucker, and for Duane Peterson who moved from the area.

Other directors are Dick Hadley, president; Dale Bartlett, George Hahn and Floyd Keeler. Officers will be elected from the board of directors.

In other business it was decided to invite a representative from the Army Engineers to report on the breakwater, and from the Fish Commission to report on the Elk River hatchery at future meetings.

It was also approved to have city brochures revised and 2,500 printed.

Two Are Pledged

Two local freshman students at Oregon State University, Corvallis, have been pledged by the Epsilon Delta chapter of the Chi Phi Fraternity, it was announced this week.

Mike McWilliams, son of Mr. and Mrs. John McWilliams, is enrolled in the school of science, majoring in mathematics.

Gerald Forty, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Forty, has not selected his major at this time.

Both are graduates of Pacific high school, class of 1967.

Comp Board Seeks Officer

The Workmen's Compensation Board, one of Oregon's newest agencies, is accepting application for a hearing officer position open in Salem. Deadline for applications is Dec. 1.

Applicants must be members of a state bar. Standard Civil Service application forms may be obtained from the nearest Department of Employment office, Civil Service, or the Workmen's Compensation Board in the Labor and Industries Building, Salem 97310.

Although the test will be administered by Civil Service, the position is unclassified, with salary range of \$990-\$1,195.

The Workmen's Compensation Board is the regulatory agency administering the state's workmen's compensation law, and supervising the activities of private insurance carriers, self insurers and the State Compensation Department.

Tourism Is Big Business

Tourism in Oregon is a major business—in fact it is the State's third largest industry. Last year more than \$250 million was brought into the State's coffers through this channel.

To better keep its finger on the pulse of this major industry, Oregon's Travel Information Advisory Committee has prepared a questionnaire which has been distributed statewide to obtain vital information concerning tourism. Frank H. Loggan, chairman of the committee, said that it was a first-of-its kind survey by the State. He explained that the questionnaire had been forwarded to many persons engaged in the lodging business in Oregon so that an appraisal could be made of the types of facilities available and their use by tourists.

Season Closed On Mule Deer

Oregon deer hunters wrapped up the season on the mule deer ranges of eastern Oregon last weekend, with the general season in that part of the state closing Sunday, Oct. 22.

Hunters who failed 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 will close Oct. 29.

Open areas for the season extending to Nov. 5 includes all of western Oregon west of the summit of the Cascades. Hunters are urged to check the big game regulations on page 4 under Western Oregon Deer Season.

Timber Sale Income High

Timber sale income from forest lands administered by the State Forestry Department amounted to about \$4,808,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30. Oregon counties received over \$1,811,600 of this, while some \$2,026,900 was credited to the state's irreducible school fund. Management of these forest lands cost \$969,500, including land cost retirement, reforestation and timber sale administration.

State managed forest lands in southern Oregon produced over \$2,455,300 of this revenue during the fiscal year. Some \$1,590,600 of this was produced in Coos County and another \$814,500 in Douglas County.

SEND IN PETITIONS

Some who are circulating petitions sponsored by the Citizens for Unity Committee for the recall of commissioner Heck Timeus have been asking whether these should be held or sent in as completed. Norman Crowhurst, vice chairman of the committee, says they should be delivered or sent to the County Clerk's office, so he can proceed with verifying the signatures. Immediately, when one or more sheets have been filled with signatures, please do this, to save pressure of verifying so many names at once.

TB Association Reviews Projects Of Past Quarter

A review of projects sponsored by the Curry County Tuberculosis and Health Association during the past four months was discussed by members of the Association at their quarterly meeting in Gold Beach last Wednesday evening.

Projects include:

- Scholarship given to Dorothy Kemp, Brookings teacher, to attend a seminar on cigarette smoking at Southwestern Oregon Community College, Coos Bay, in July;
- Electrical exhibit and display showing the spread of tuberculosis was loaned to the local group by the Portland office of the Oregon TB and Health Association and set up at the Curry County Fair in August;
- A state meeting was held in Medford to discuss the new techniques being developed by the National Association regarding the carrying of TB germs which will be followed in all 50 states. Mina DeVoe, president of the local group, and Public Health Nurse Dorothea Miller attended the meeting from Curry County;
- The six doctors in the county were each furnished with four boxes of Tine Test material prior to the opening of school. Each box contained enough for 25 and were to be used on pre-school children;
- Health Education Chairman Virginia Stauffer lined up Dallas Pierson, state health education director, to spend four days in Curry County showing films and giving talks on cigarette smoking to school children in upper grades, as well as to adult groups;
- The local group also purchases, quarterly, a record on health programs that is heard on spot announcements over station KRUY.

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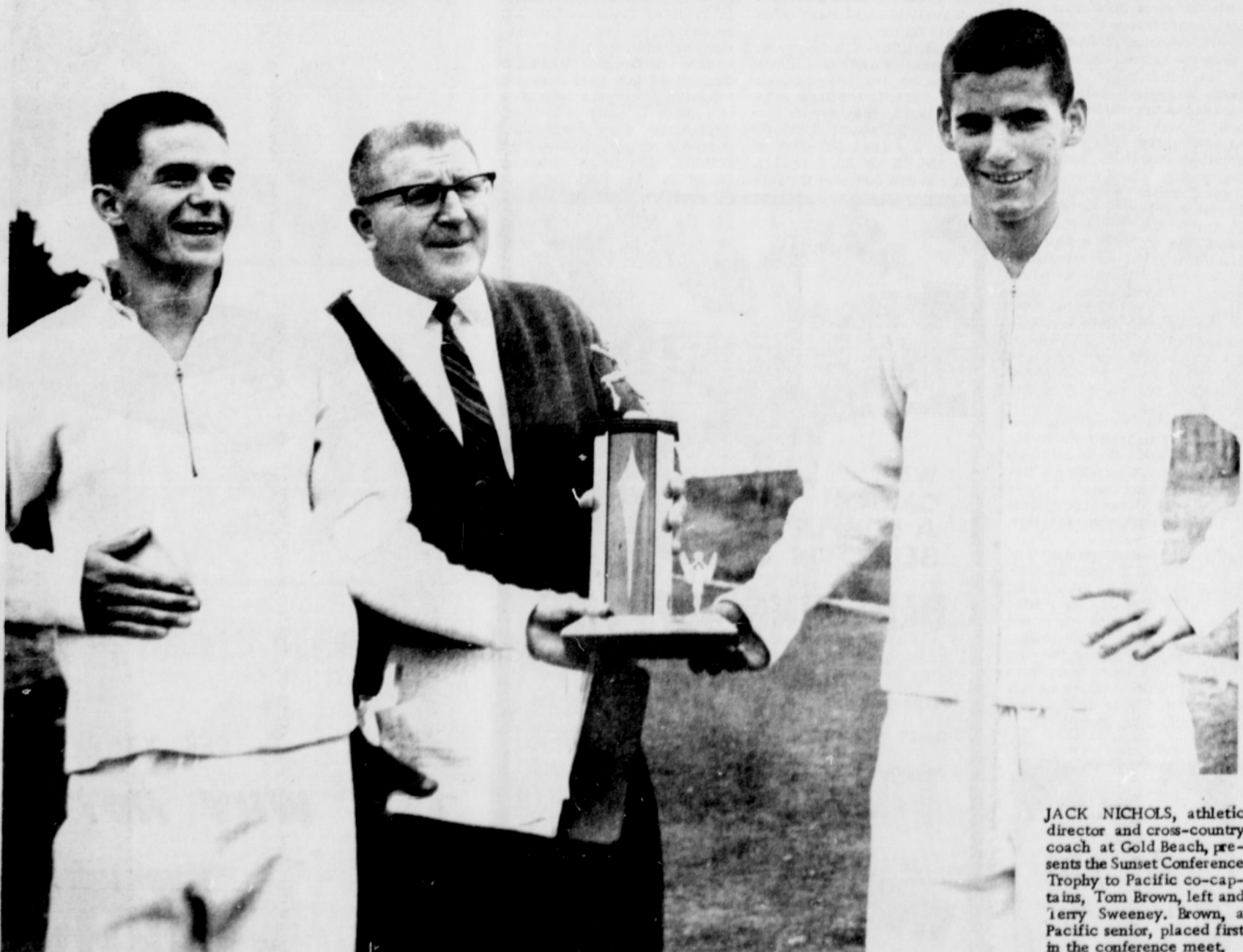
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WEATHER			
Date	Max	Min	Rain
Oct. 11	61	53	.19
Oct. 12	66	49	.00
Oct. 13	64	43	.16
Oct. 14	67	45	.00
Oct. 15	70	44	.02
Oct. 16	73	47	.00
Oct. 17	69	43	.00
Oct. 18	66	49	.13
Oct. 19	63	45	.01
Oct. 20	59	39	.00
Oct. 21	60	50	.57
Oct. 22	57	48	.33
Oct. 23	67	48	.00
Oct. 24	58	—	.10



JACK NICHOLS, athletic director and cross-country coach at Gold Beach, presents the Sunset Conference Trophy to Pacific co-captains, Tom Brown, left and Jerry Sweeney, Brown, a Pacific senior, placed first in the conference meet.