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McKenzie Gets Subcommittee

Representative Rod McKenzie (R) Sixes, was named to the Subcommittee on Submerged and Submersible Lands, one of the three subcommittees designated by Senator Robert Elstrom (R) Salem, chairman of the legislative Land Board Advisory Committee.

Other members serving with McKenzie are: Rep. Jason Boe (D) Reedsport, chairman, and Rep. Tom Young, (R) Baker, attorney.

McKenzie said that since Oregon is considered largely a common law state in so far as laws are concerned affecting riparian rights on submerged and submersible lands, there is need for careful review to provide greatest protection for the irreducible school fund and to fit the times with increasing demands of recreation and industry.

McKenzie said the subcommittee will report to the full committee and the full committee in turn will advise the Land Board and recommend legislation, if it is necessary, to the legislature.

McKenzie said many of the problems that come before the committee may require court solutions in lieu of legislative remedies.

Highway Tax Return Due

Owners of large trucks, truck-trailers, or buses may be required to file a Federal highway use tax return, Form 2290, this month, A. G. Erickson, District Director of Internal Revenue for Oregon, said today.

A newly revised schedule of taxable gross weights, effective July 1, contains 21 weight categories for single unit or straight trucks, tractor-trailers and truck-trailer combinations.

The new schedule recognizes that larger trucks are using the highways, and also that some trucks are of sturdier construction, and are carrying heavier loads. No change was made in the fee schedule for buses operating on public highways.

The regular period for the highway use tax runs from July 1 through June 30 of the following year. Owners of trucks in use on public highways during July, have to file a return by Sept. 2, this year. Subsequent returns may be required concerning vehicles used for the first time on public highways after July.

IRS Publication 349 "Federal Use Tax on Trucks, Truck-Trailers and Buses," furnishes detailed information on this subject and may be obtained by dropping a post card to your District Director, Internal Revenue Service, 319 S.W. Pine Street, Portland, Oregon 97204.

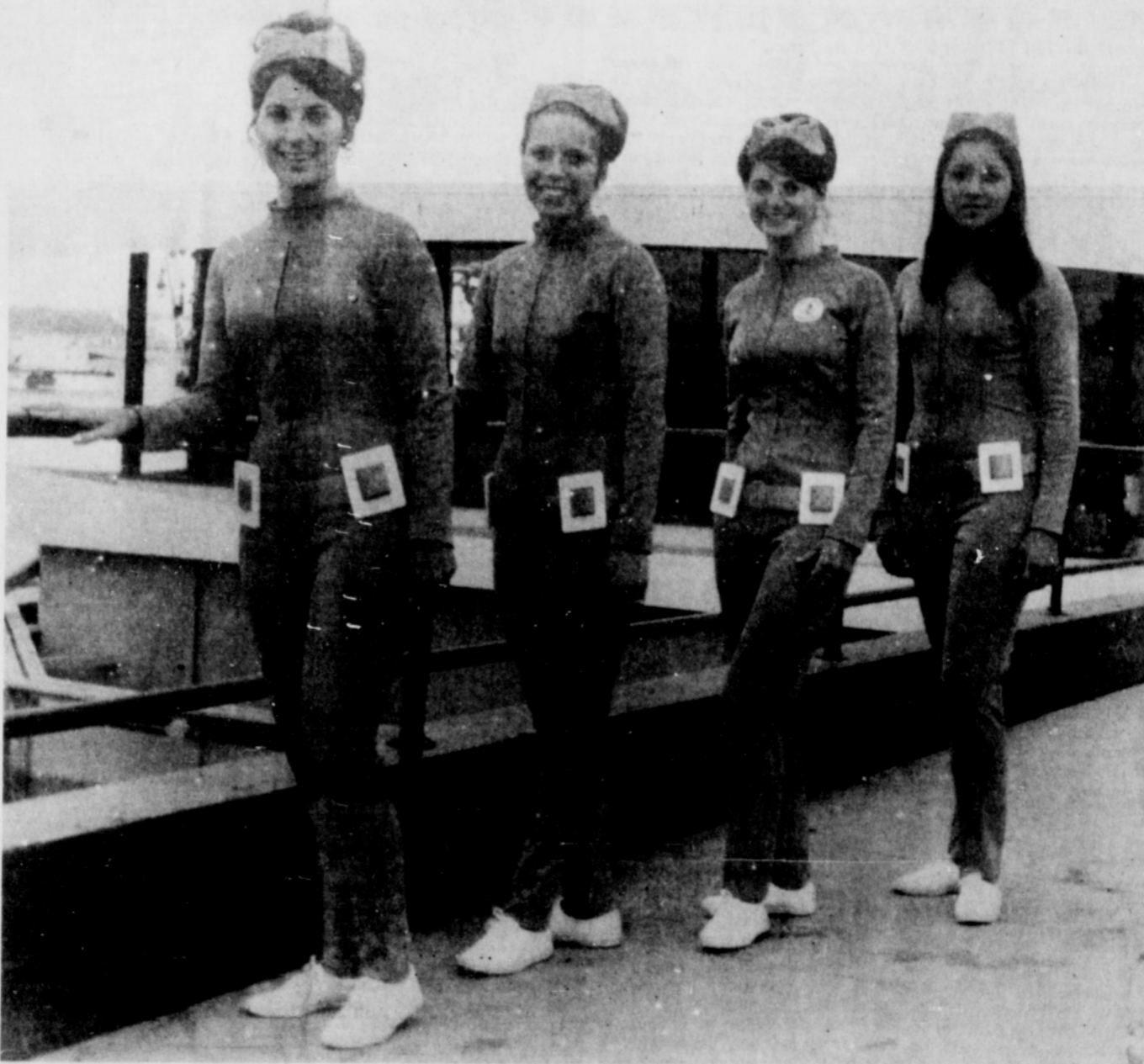
Work Party Held

Keina and Dianna Tucker of Huntington Beach, Calif., young nieces of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Tucker, joined the Lions work party recently at Buffington Memorial Park, piling brush and clearing the site. The girls are here visiting the Tuckers.

Lions members Ira Tucker, Doyle Greene and Howard Beasley completed the work party and another one has been set for Friday night at 6:30 p.m.

A community meeting to discuss future plans for the park will be held in about three weeks, according to the Lions club. The date will be announced later.

Public Works Official To Retire



AMONG four pretty hostesses in attendance at the new Undersea Gardens in Crescent City is Miss Hazel Hofess, third from left, daughter of Mrs. Margaret (Hofess) Evans, former residents of Floras Lake and Port Orford. Other hostesses are from left to right, Melinda Bynum, Sandy Allen and Debbie Norris.

Public Works Supt. Frank Morris, Sr., will retire from 14 years service with the city on December 31 of this year, it was decided in city council action at a special meeting Tuesday night.

The action came after a suggestion from water commissioner Jim Peterson, who said he had asked Morris to retire next month because of his age, 69. The commissioner said Morris had done a good job for the city, had worked well with him, but that he felt the position should be turned over to a younger man because the position was becoming increasingly more difficult because of the new sewer system and water system upgrading.

Morris, given an opportunity to make a statement to the council, said it was his understanding that he had been rehired last February for another four years but that he had planned on retiring the end of June, 1971, and would like to stay on the job until then. "I don't think the council realizes how much work is involved with the water system," Morris told the council, adding that he had tried to save the city money, had missed one vacation and was always willing to work nights and weekends when routine or emergency work demanded it.

Street commissioner Kent Wagner said he agreed with Peterson, but that Morris should have until the end of this year, to give the city time to advertise for and train a new man. He also said that Morris should be given 30-days vacation pay that was due him.

In a motion to this effect, made by Peterson, councilmen Harold Robinson, Wagner, Dick Goergen and Peterson voted aye, Councilman Delbert Neal abstained and councilman Ervin Sevems did not attend the meeting.

Sewer commissioner Goergen brought to the council's attention that errors in new sewer construction were appearing and that an adjustment in engineering fees should be made to compensate for them.

Goergen cited failure to provide sufficient manhole stub-outs and that a state-owned storm drain had to be broken into to put one sewer line through, as examples. Goergen said it appeared that there hadn't been enough research done regarding existing water and drain lines by the engineering firm and it was costing the city money.

It was voted to withhold \$100 from engineering fees because of an extra charge by the sewer contractor for making a manhole stub-out that wasn't part of the plans, but necessary for future construction.

Goergen also pointed out that a lot of homes were still not hooked to the sewer and said that legal action should be taken. The matter was tabled until the city attorney could be questioned about the procedure.

Street commissioner Wagner reported that he had been in conference with county board of commissioners chairman Ira Tucker concerning the county paving program. Wagner said he was in disagreement with Tucker about the paving of the south end of Oregon St. up to the view point on 5th St. Wagner said he thought other streets were more important, such as streets where sewer lines were already installed. These projects would benefit the taxpayers more, rather than tourists, was Wagner's opinion.

Peterson said he agreed that Oregon St. shouldn't have top priority but it should have consideration because of drainage problems at the Bob Ferry home and because of mud washing across the highway during heavy rains.

The police department is still without radar, commissioner Robinson reported, but three companies had been contacted about a new unit. The council agreed that immediate action should be taken to secure a unit. Mayor Adolph Windmaier said he had been getting complaints of excessive speeds through the city and that with the coming of school it was important that efforts be made to slow traffic down for children's safety.

It was agreed that police chief Vic Latham attend a one-week follow-up police command school in December. The chief completed the first two-week course last Friday.

Other city council business included: * A report that the State Highway Dept. wanted repairs completed to the highway where sewer lines had crossed and gravel placed on the Coast

Autograph Party To Honor Poet

Howard McKinley Corning, Oregon poet and poetry editor of The Oregonian, will be presented at an autograph party for his new book, "This Earth and Another Country", on the afternoon of August 23, at the Wildwood Art Gallery, south of Gold Beach. Time is 2:30.

Corning will speak and read from his poems. Ethel Nestell Fortner, Estacada, Oregon, poet, also will attend and speak. She is poetry editor of "Human Voice", and author of the poetry collection, "A Certain Clarity". Members of the Pacific Writers' Club of Curry County, a unit of the Oregon State Poetry Association and co-sponsor of the occasion, also will read poems. Corning is state president of the Association. The Wildwood Art Gallery is operated by Ron and Will Speer, and is reached by two exit roads off highway U.S. 101, about 8 1/2 miles south of San Sebastian State Park. Signs will be posted. Arrangements for this event have been made by Mrs. Patricia Gow, of Glde, OSPA field secretary for southern Oregon.

Grid Practice Starts Monday

Pacific High School boys are reminded that football practice will begin Monday, August 25, 1 p.m. at the high school. Boys must have physicals before equipment is issued. Insurance is also required.



A popular event at the recent Curry county fair was the kids' money scramble.

Home To Crown Curry Fair Queen

Mary Knapp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knapp of Port Orford, who is a hostess for United Air Lines, got special permission to come home to crown the Queen for the 1969 Curry County Fair, and to visit her parents. Her homebase for one year is New York City, then she hopes to be able to get a transfer to the West Coast. One of the thrills of her experiences so far was to fly with the New York Yankee ball team from Chicago to their homebase in New York.

A friend of Mary's who visited at the Harold Knapp home while she was here, was Gene Ray, a pilot for Pan American, who flew his plane from New York to Los Angeles, took the plane to North Bend and was met there by the Knapps. While here Ray rented a plane at North Bend and took the Knapp family for a ride over their ranch and along the coast line. Mrs. Knapp says that one has not really seen this country until you fly over it.

At Lions Meeting

Lions members Howard Beasley, Burrell Babb and Jack Smith attended the Lions cabinet meeting in Grants Pass Sunday, August 17. Rules and regulations for the coming year were set up, preparations for the White Can drive made, and plans discussed for raising money for the Southern Oregon Blind Center in Medford.

The only center in the Northwest to study the problems of the aged is located at the University of Oregon.

COUNTY NEWS

In a motion, the board of county commissioners, on the recommendation of the Curry County Planning Commission, approved the Carter subdivision located in the Harbor area.

By order, the transfer of unexpended funds to overexpended funds within the general fund was approved.

Sandra Grollman was hired, temporarily, in the Curry County Health Department.

Board appointments were approved by the commission as follows: Ben Franklin, Jr., of Brookings, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Lee Fountain, resigned, on the Planning Commission; Gene Colegrove, Curry county commissioner, was reappointed to the board of commissioners; Martin Powers of Gold Beach was reappointed for a three year term on the hospital board; Ted Burgess, Gold Beach, and Ron Crook, Pistol River, were reappointed and John McWade of Gold Beach was appointed to fill the position left vacant by Robert Billings of Sixes, on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

The amount of \$47,25 was approved for an indigent case to assist the party in taking employment.

Dick Edmunds and Jim Moffat, representing the U.S. Geological Survey requested permission for a water gauge on the upper Chetco River.

Road department personnel met in regular session with the board of commissioners with Ed Sypher, construction superintendent, Myron Baumer, purchasing agent, and commissioners Tucker, Hale and Colegrove present.

Squaw Point needs to be speeded up in order to get a possible road opening.

New trench to be put in at Nesika Beach garbage dump.

Work on Sixes road to be completed before rains set in.

Jerry's Flat road has overlay completed.

Seeks Social Security Raise

Washington—Congressman John Dellenback has urged the House Ways and Means Committee to hold immediate hearings on legislation to raise Social Security payments.

"Inflation has caused hardship for all people with fixed incomes, and particularly those whose income is from Social Security benefits. It is increasingly difficult for these people to stretch their limited incomes to cover skyrocketing prices," Dellenback said.

The Congressman, together with 74 other Republicans from 34 states, petitioned the Committee to call immediate hearings on pending legislation to increase payments.

"Since it has completed its work on tax reform, the Committee now has time to consider raises in Social Security payments. Our petition is an attempt to let the American people know that it is the Democratic party that is dragging its feet on this matter," Dellenback added.

He noted that all raises must go through the Democrat-controlled Committee before the full House can take any action. There are 15 Democrats and 10 Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee.

Coldiron To Remove Rock

Brownie Coldiron Logging Company, Box 24, Gold Beach, has been awarded a \$26,980 contract by the Portland U.S. Army Engineer District to furnish a dragline and other equipment to remove jetty rock near the mouth of the Rogue River to improve navigation on Oregon's southern coast.

Army Engineers will use the dragline to remove a sunken jetty rock shoal which is a hazard to navigation at the entrance to Gold Beach boat basin. The Gold Beach firm will be required to construct a 900-foot long access road to the work site.

The shoal, containing about 2,500 cubic yards of large rock, was placed in the area by a previous contractor in 1964.

Law students at the University of Oregon publish a Law Review that keeps Oregon lawyers informed of current developments in the law.

Gun Safety Class To Start

Registration for gun safety classes will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 26, at the grade school. The course will run Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8 p.m. for anyone 12 years or over. Registration the first night is a definite requirement, by law, in order to participate in the course.

This course is required for anyone between the ages of 12 and 18 who wishes to hunt. Participants are asked to use the north entrance of the school. Instructors for the course will be Ira Tucker and Ray Reinke.

Grand Champion Fair Winners

Grand champion winners at the recent Curry county fair included David Knapp, Port Orford, dairy and beef; Marcia Young, Ophir, ewe; Peter Buffington, Ophir, fat lamb; Earl Lang, Langlois, ram; Jack Morgan, Ophir, fleece; Sharon Leming, Gold Beach, homemaker; Jeannie Snook, Gold Beach, flower grower; Florence Sydnam, Langlois, home gardener; Bobbie Upp, Brookings, kitchen queen.

Mrs. Vern Shenk, Port Orford, was named to receive the art sweepstakes award.



LUCKY FISHERMAN last week was Winston Donart, Klamath Falls, who caught salmon weighing 27 and 30-lbs, while fishing on the charter boat out of Gold Beach. He and his wife were guests of Mrs. Lou Inman of Evergreen Trailer Park.