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Sandy's Needs Are Named by Citizens In Sidewalk Poll

Sewer System, Hospital, Improved Streets, Water System, Policing Wanted

"What would you like to see accomplished in this community during 1948?" is the question asked of Sandy residents by Sandy Post reporters this week.

Among the replies given to this "sidewalk" survey are the following:

R. V. LaGorgue, tavern operator: "A sewer system in 1948 would do more good for Sandy than any one other project. We need other things too—better police protection, improved streets, and an improved water system."

Elton Saling, barber: "The sewer first, and then the hospital."

Jess Hite, oil dealer: "Boost Sandy by offering services and merchandise at competitive prices."

Cyrus H. Reese, auto parts wholesaler and retailer: "Aside from the sewer system which is foremost in my mind, Sandy should have a project which would improve the streets throughout the city."

Lyle Seaman, garage shop foreman: "Gosh, lots of things. Besides the sewer system and fire hall, we need a building code and better police protection."

Hap Dyal, truck driver: "There are a lot of things the town needs—street lights on the highway, sidewalks in the residential districts, a new city hall. And we need more water. We'd like to build a mile and a half east of town and can't get water."

Mrs. Alfred Selven, housewife: "We need some slow signs or lights or stop signs on the Loop highway; sometimes you can hardly cross it. And, of course, our hospital—we need this."

Tex Rice, logger: "I'd like to see a nice hotel in Sandy."

Harold Edes, truck driver: "The sewer system, mostly. An adequate police department; this town is growing fast. And we need new blood and progressive ideas."

J. P. Stroubridge, logger: "We ought to have some kind of a recreation center so our kids won't have to go all the way to Gresham or Portland."

Merl Dahrens, taxi driver: "I'd like to see us get the hospital and that sewer; if you were here in the summer you'd see how bad it is."

Mrs. Ruth Mitchell, school teacher: "The hospital and completion of the classrooms in Sandy grade school's new wing; we really need it."

C. G. Schneider, city attorney: "The sewer is absolutely necessary. After that, I think the most important thing is a new water supply pipe at least doubling the capacity of our present 4-inch main. This whole area is developing rapidly and sufficient water is the basic need. This is good farming country for small fruits and vegetables. If we had sufficient water we could attract a lot of business."

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Sailing Date Advanced For Christmas Ship

Closing date for contributions to the Northwest's Europe-bound relief Christmas Ship have been advanced to Jan. 10, Ivan A. Barker, coordinator of the Sandy drive, announced this week.

The 10,000-ton victory ship "Gretna Victory" has been assigned for the voyage and will load in Portland about Feb. 2, in time to arrive in Europe during the "death months" of February and March.

Among early contributors to the ship, which will carry foodstuffs direct from Portland to Europe's needy, are the Mt. Hood Pow-Wowers, the Sandy Community church, Sandy high school, Sandy grade school, Mayor V. M. Alt, G. W. Coats and E. M. Nelson.

Mr. Barker is asking for Sandy's donations in the form of cash and requests the help of all civic, fraternal, church and women's organizations as well as individuals. Checks may be sent to Mr. Barker or to the other members of the mayor's citizen's food committee—Eldon Mills, Sandy Kiwanis president; Robert S. Smith, Mt. Hood Pow-Wowers chief; Duane Knapp, Sandy grade school principal, and Floyd Light, Sandy high school superintendent.

"Cheapest Way To Fight . . ."

"There is no doubt that the people of Europe are starving and that they are nearing their worst months," Mr. Barker said. "There is no doubt that we have plenty and can afford to share it. There is no reason why we can't do our best. The cheapest way to fight a war is to prevent it by keeping people from starving. Hunger would make anyone fight."

The Christmas Ship idea was inspired by Drew Pearson's Friendship Train, which recently delivered food to the people of Europe. Of the appreciation shown by these people, Mr. Pearson has written: "They especially like the fact that it comes from the plain folks of America—farmers, school children, churches, service clubs, businessmen, labor organizations . . . The Communists have been telling them that the U.S.A. is a nation of warmongers, but the Friendship Train has proved otherwise."

Last Rites Held For Albert Motejl

Funeral services for Albert Motejl, 83, for 40 years a resident of the Sandy community, were held last Wednesday afternoon at the chapel of Carroll's Funeral Home in Gresham. Rev. C. F. McIntyre, pastor of Sandy Community church conducted the service and William Elliott sang. Vault interment was in Lincoln Memorial cemetery.

Pallbearers were pioneer friends of Mr. Motejl: Frank Jadrny, Sr., Frank Linhart, Leo McCabe, Pete Peshall, Charles Updegrave and Anton Maler.

Mr. Motejl, who was born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, Oct. 26, 1864, died at the home of his son, Otto, in Sandy, Monday, Dec. 29, following an illness of about a month.

Mr. Motejl's first residence in the United States was in Chicago, 44 years ago, and from there he came to the Sandy community.

Four Sons Survive
Survivors are his four sons, Otto, Sandy; John, Richmond, California; Emil, Portland and Joseph, Tulsa, Oklahoma; two daughters, Mrs. Joe Talafous, Milwaukee and Mrs. Henry Kiesecker, Sandy.

Mr. Motejl is also survived by 14 grandchildren including Marlene, Russell and Michael; Edwin and Eloise; Mary Louise and Billie; Bedrick Havilina, Bend, and Mrs. Josephine Metzler, Portland; Mrs. Robert Hawley, Mrs. William Maxwell, Mrs. Rodney Brentano, and Henry Kiesecker, Jr.

Kiwanis Directors To Meet Friday

Sandy Kiwanis board of directors will meet Friday noon at the Dew Drop for lunch and a business session, announced President Eldon Mills.

"There is a lot of business which has piled up on us at the end of the year and this would be a good time to get it all straightened out," he said. All Kiwanis members are invited to attend the meeting.

Vacation's About Over; Sandy To Play Molalla

Christmas vacation will be just a memory next Monday, Jan. 5, for most school children in the Sandy area. Sandy grade school and Sandy Union high school both will resume classes next Monday.

Tuesday night the high school's basketball squad travels to Molalla for a Willamette Valley game with the rough and tough Indians.

Rhody Furniture Shop Files as Corporation

OREGON CITY—Barlow Trail Furniture shops, Rhododendron furniture and hardware manufacturing concern, has been incorporated for \$50,000 by Glen M. and Jeanne E. Asher and Everett I. Adcock, according to articles of incorporation recorded Dec. 15 by County Clerk Guy H. Pace. The corporation has issued 500 shares of stock.

Withholding Tax On All Salaries Is Now Effective

Rural Employers Will Join Businessmen in Deduction Program

Sandy area farmers who are employers this year will join businessmen in setting up another set of books in order to pay a withholding tax enacted by the 1947 state legislature.

The new law, effective Jan. 1, requiring that 1 per cent of all wages and salaries be withheld to apply against state income taxes, was contingent upon the defeat of a proposed state sales tax in last October's election.

Many Farmers Affected
State-wide, the new law will affect an estimated 35,000 employers, plus another estimated 15,000 to 30,000 farmers whose payrolls are sufficient to come under the measure. Federal, state, county, city and school employes, numbering approximately 15,000 in the state, also will be affected.

The new law applies to all employers (farmers included) in the state whose monthly payroll exceeds \$50. From the payroll, 1 per cent must be withheld for forwarding to the state tax commission to be applied against employees' annual income taxes.

Employees are reminded that the withheld tax will not relieve them of the obligation for filing a yearly return. Additional taxes and refunds from withholdings will be based on the annual report.

While the new law merely provides another method of paying taxes for most employes, it means additional obligations for employers in that they become directly responsible for payment of the tax deductions to the state.

Remittances for the first three months of the year will be due on April 30, and for succeeding quarters will fall due on July 30, October 30 and January 30, the state tax commission stipulates.

Designed to collect taxes from itinerant workers and others who have previously escaped payment of state income taxes, the withholding tax also will affect such employes as domestic workers, and others whose income may not be sufficient for payment of income tax.

Ex-Sandy Boy Granted Parole by Latourette

OREGON CITY—Ralph H. Rasmussen, 18, former resident of Sandy, was sentenced to five years in prison and paroled to Roy E. Miller, Sidney, Nebraska, by Judge Earl C. Latourette in circuit court Monday on a charge of larceny by baillee of an automobile belonging to Donel Vosler, Sandy.

Rasmussen's parole was granted on condition that he remain employed, obey the laws and report to the district attorney once a month for a year.

Pioneers to Battle Koch Quintet Friday Night

Superior speed and condition will give Sandy high school basketball quintet an edge over the Koch Lumber Mill squad when the two Sandy teams clash Friday night, Jan. 2, at 8:15 on the high school's court.

Proceeds of the "civil war" will go to the high school athletic fund. Charges for spectators will be: adults 50 cents, high school students, 25 cents; and grade school children free. Eldon Mills and Lawrence Lund will officiate and have donated their services.

Jumping Jack Williams and Driving Doug Gomoll are expected to spark the Pioneer five.

Williams has been sinking around 20 points a game with the exception of a sad night in the first Gresham tilt. Besides being a dead-eye push-shot artist, Jack has been able to control both the offensive and defensive backboards.

Gomoll gave the Gophers plenty of trouble in the last Gresham battle, and if he puts out the same brand of ball Friday night, the Loggers will have their hands full.

Loggers Have Speed and Experience

Dean Grey and George Wolf have been tabbed by Logger Manager Bob Medley to provide most of the scoring punch for the Koch five. Neither of these speedsters has the height advantage which Williams enjoys, but both have plenty of speed and experience.

The Pioneers have won their only league tilt by defeating Canby last Tuesday night. In practice sessions, they have won two and lost three. But Coach Chuck Croston has brought them along rapidly and they are a much better team now than they were at the first of the season.

The Loggers have lost one game and rank with Estacada in a tie for second place in the Recreational league with four wins and one loss. But Friday night, the Loggers will be meeting a much faster squad than they have played this year. And the lack of reserves will slow them down considerably.

An additional service has been offered for the game by Superintendent Floyd Light. He will watch the clock for free.

Probable Starting Line-ups

Sandy	Pos.	Koch Mill
Jack Williams	F	Dean Grey
Doug Gomoll	F	George Wolf
Jim Hopp	C	Wally Scales
Dave Hopp	G	Dick Horton
Bob Reynolds	G	Les Wolf

Masons and Eastern Star Members Hold Joint Installation of Officers

Public joint installation of new officers of Sandy Masonic Lodge and Sandy chapter of the Order of Eastern Star was held at the Masonic temple Dec. 26.

Eastern Star officers installed were Mrs. John Anderson, worthy matron; Ray R. Imbler, worthy patron; Mrs. E. M. Nelson, associate matron; E. M. Nelson, associate patron; Mrs. Ed F. Bruns, secretary; Mrs. Ivan A. Barker, treasurer; Mrs. Walter Volbrecht, conductress; Mrs. E. C. Leum, associate conductress; Mrs. W. W. Howard, chaplain; Mrs. Walter A. Adah, marshal; Mrs. Carl Sandstrom, organist; Mrs. Charles R. Fitch, Adah; Mrs. Melvin Richey, Ruth; Mrs. Elmer Johnson, Esther; Mrs. Frank J. Jarvis, Martha; Mrs. Edgar Robinson, Electa; Mrs. Edna Spink, warder; and Edgar Robinson, sentinel.

Mrs. Carl Shetterly acted as installing officer in the absence of Mrs. Walter Alt, who was ill. H. E. McIntyre, past patron, acted as assistant installing officer.

Masons Installed
Masonic Lodge officers installed were Harry B. Reed, master; Edwin Gesch, senior warden; Kenneth Frederickson, junior warden; Clarence G. Brown, treasurer; Ed F. Bruns, secretary;

Sandy Sewer Bids Now Advertised; To Be Opened 19th

Council To Consider New Revenue-Raising Measures This Month

The call for bids for Sandy's urgently-needed sewer system and disposal plant will be advertised beginning Friday, Jan. 2, and the bids will be opened at a city council meeting called for that purpose Jan. 19, Mayor Verne Alt informed the council last Monday night at a special meeting in city hall.

Whether or not to let the contract will be decided at the Jan. 19 meeting.

(Sandy voters approved a \$42,000 general obligation bond issue to finance a disposal plant last Oct. 7 and financing of the sewer system laterals and trunks by a \$42,000 assessment against property owners was approved by the city's voters on July 22, 1946).

Busy Month Ahead

At Monday's meeting Mayor Alt indicated that the council probably would hold at least three meetings in January. The council's regular January meeting, at which claims against the city will be paid, will be held next Monday.

A special meeting to discuss what Mayor Alt considers the city's number-one problem, raising revenue to meet the increasing costs of city government, was called for Jan. 12. "There are a lot of improvements we need badly, but we need revenue first," the mayor said.

He called for suggestions for additional revenue-raising measures and stated that he did not believe the city should continue to rely on its water system to pay the city's bills.

Measures suggested by council members were an occupation tax or business license, an increased tax on slot-machines and pin-ball machines and parking meters.

City Recorder Dale Stewart reported receipt of \$3,366.42 from the Clackamas county treasurer covering the city's share in delinquent payments of special taxes. The year in which the tax was levied and the city's share are as follows: 1947-48, \$3,104.90; 1946-47, \$187.29; 1945-46, \$31.15; 1944-45, \$15.68; 1943-44, \$11.63; 1942-43, \$2.66; 1941, \$9.78. The city's share in land sales amounted to \$4.16.

Water Problems Discussed
Water Superintendent Jack Mainey was instructed to call on two water consumers with delinquent bills and collect or shut off their water. The council reminded water users that extensions and the turning on and off of water are required by ordinance to be made by the water superintendent only.

Councilman Ronald Krebs' offer of free wood for the city hall stove was accepted.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Alt, Recorder Stewart and Councilmen George Beers, Frank Schmitz and Ronald Krebs. Absent were Councilmen Roy Hickey and Thomas Scales.

Five-City Planning Commission Is Proposed to Meet Area's Expansion Problems

At next Monday's Sandy city council meeting City Attorney C. G. Schneider will submit a report indicating the desirability of coordinated planning among the rapidly-growing communities east of metropolitan Portland and will ask the city to appoint two members of a proposed 10-man area-wide planning commission.

The report will state that the interests of Sandy, Gresham, Troutdale, Fairview and Portland are so closely interlocked, due to natural drainage, water supply and transportation, that they should plan together, rather than individually, to solve their "growing-pains" problems.

Attorney Schneider will point out that most of Sandy's growing pains are problems also in smaller cities throughout the country.

The report names some of these universal problems: the increasing cost of municipal government, proper sewage disposal and financing of sewer systems, adequate water supply, housing shortages, zoning and building codes, streamlining of cumbersome city charters, increasing traffic violations, mounting child delinquency and adult sex crimes, ordinance codification, street lighting and street and sidewalk paving.

Parking and traffic problems will be discussed also. Mr. Schneider recommends widening the six major highways leading east from Portland. "The Mt. Hood Loop highway should be widened to accommodate the inevitable mountain home development east of Sandy. We should have a 4-lane highway to Sandy, a 4-lane divided highway in Sandy and a 3-lane highway up to Mt. Hood."

Following are portions of the attorney's report dealing with problems confronting Sandy and the surrounding area:

"Zoning and planning is very much in the forefront, and quite naturally it is meeting with considerable opposition from some sections. So far as I can learn no one in either Multnomah or Clackamas counties has attempted to set up a county zoning district, although we have two statutes effective as of July 5, 1947, which open the way for zoning outside of municipalities.

"There is an area extending east from the city limits of Portland for approximately twenty miles and south from the Columbia river for approximately six miles—an area of roughly 120 square miles, or some 78,000 acres—that is destined to have a very important part in the gen-

eral growth and development of the Northwest in the next twenty-five years—an area in which we each have a vital interest, because all of us either live in or so close to it that we cannot escape responsibility for the failure of its development.

"You will quite naturally ask the question, 'Why should we as a municipality be concerned with the area immediately outside our own borders, or the territory—much of it valuable farm land—perhaps several miles distant?'

"Well, in the first place the topography of this area is such that we are just naturally one large indivisible community. We are geographically so situated that, whether we like it or not, we are very much dependent on each other. With the Columbia river on the north, the Clackamas river on the south, the Willamette river on the west, and the Sandy river on the east and north-east, the drainage of the entire area is either into the Willamette and thence into the Columbia, or into the Columbia direct.

"An ever increasing density of population will create new sewage problems, with the ulti-

mate answer, of course, in disposal plants, perhaps acres in extent, on the Willamette and Columbia rivers. Within the area proper are four small municipalities. One has a sewage disposal plant and the others are wrestling with the problem of trying to finance their own. In addition, there is one compact non-incorporated community of some seven or eight hundred people which has a small modern disposal plant.

"In this area are some nine communities—all afflicted with growing pains—that will eventually be faced with problems such as street lights, sewage disposal, paving, side walks, that can only be successfully dealt with by either incorporating or becoming annexed to an already existing corporation. These communities are: Parkrose, Powellhurst, Gilbert, Rockwood, Wood Village, Springdale, Corbett, Pleasant Home, and Kelso.

"That part of Multnomah and Clackamas Counties affected by this survey is served by six main highways extending east and west, namely: Columbia highway, east Glisan street, Base Line road, Section Line road or Division street, Powell Valley road, and Foster road. Only one continuous road (122nd Avenue

or Buckley Avenue) extends north and south and intersects all of these six east and west highways. Others such as Jenne road, Rockwood road, Fairview—Gresham road, intersect only part of these east and west roads.

Water Problem

"This territory is at present served in part by at least 14 water systems. Sandy and Troutdale are served by springs; their maximum capacity is at present unknown, but their limit will probably be reached in a few years. Corbett-Springdale is served by Gordon creek with its source at the base of Larch mountain. Engineers can no doubt construct dams that will increase the available supply to a considerable extent. Fairview and Wood Village are supplied by wells. What their future will be no one of course can tell. The others are supplied from the Bull Run system under two-year revocable contracts; they are Orient, Powell Valley No. 1, Powell Valley No. 2, Gilbert, Rockwood, Parkrose (two districts), Twelve Mile Water district, Gresham.

"Each of these water districts has been established to take care of its immediate needs, with no thought of any substantial plan of expansion, and because of the size of its main lines no major plan of expansion can be made without a complete overhaul of the entire system.

"The engineering problems of the other districts are not so simple.

"In looking at the over-all picture, it would seem that the logical solution would be to lay main lines in a north and south direction across such of the entire district as could ultimately be reached by adequate pressure from the reservoirs that will in time be built on Camp's Butte.

Cooperation Needed

"It is would, of course, require the cooperation of all water districts that now are being served, or might hope to be served, from the Portland water system. This is also predicated on the hope that Portland will continue to meet not only current demands but the inevitable expansion that is certain to take place. We must not lose sight of this fact, that Portland will not guarantee to serve any of its fifty odd subsidiary districts under contracts of more than two years duration at any one time. Some plan might be evolved to consolidate all available supplies in one central system if the purity of the supply could be guaranteed. It is certain that Portland would not

consent to anything less.

"It is a reasonably safe guess that much of this area—perhaps as far east as Troutdale—will, within the next twenty-five years, be so densely populated as to warrant it becoming part of the City of Portland.

"With these facts before us, it is suggested that an over-all advisory planning commission be set up to study the three major factors which are becoming increasingly important to Troutdale, Gresham, Fairview, Sandy, and Portland, namely, transportation, water supply and sanitary facilities.

10-Man Commission

"This commission could be composed of ten members, two to be appointed by the mayor (with the consent of the council) of each of the five cities. Since the term of office of the mayor and council, with the exception of Portland, is two years, it is suggested that such appointments be for two years only. The function of the commission would be to gather data which would be available to all city officials, as well as any county zoning or planning commission set up in the future. The commission could not be vested with any authority

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