

New Road Plan May Speed Mt. Hood Freeway Work

A proposal advanced here Monday by a representative of the State Highway department might shave years off the time estimated for completion of the Mt. Hood Freeway.

Victor Wolfe, administrative assistant to the Highway department, said that plans are being considered to use a portion of the Mt. Hood Freeway route for the north-south Inter-

state Highway 205. "And this," Wolfe said, "could speed work on the Mt. Hood Freeway tremendously." Briefly, the plan advanced by Wolfe would route Interstate 205 north on the Baldock freeway as far as the Marquam bridge. Then it would turn east on the Mt. Hood freeway as far as 111th, thence north again to a crossing of the Columbia river.

Hearings Stated

Wolfe pointed out that this route was only an alternate being suggested by the Highway department and would be considered at hearings scheduled early this fall. Another route — via Wilsonville, Oswego and 111th — has been under consideration for some time.

Both alternates will be discussed at the hearings, Wolfe said, and transcripts forwarded to the Bureau of Roads before any decision is made.

Work currently is under way on the Anderson road-Duncan road section of the Mt. Hood freeway but nothing definite

has been programmed for the link from Anderson west.

Ross Morgan, Gresham legislator, said the Marquam - Mt. Hood freeway alternate would be "a wonderful thing for this area."

Would Solve Problem

He pointed out that completion of the route to 111th with federal funds would solve a big part of the financial bottleneck which currently is holding back planning.

"Once the route were completed to 111th, it would be relatively easy to finish the job out

to the Gresham area," Morgan said.

The Marquam bridge currently is under construction. Interstate 205 is planned as a north-south by-pass through Portland. It will link up with the Interstate system in Washington state once it crosses the Columbia river.

Wolfe had no comment on the 111th route which has been sharply criticized in the Parkrose area. But he did make it clear that the route through Laurelhurst has been scrapped.

Big Savings Likely

Wolfe said that preliminary estimates indicated use of a portion of the Mt. Hood freeway could save \$15,000,000 over the other route.

Observers quickly noted several other advantages. One would be elimination of a second, costly crossing of the Willamette. Another would be quieting of objections from residents of Lake Oswego who want no part of a freeway through their area.

The new plan would, of course, keep all Interstate traffic on the Baldock freeway until it reached the Marquam bridge. Any disruption of the Lake Oswego area thus would be avoided.

The route of the Mt. Hood freeway in Portland hasn't been settled. But, generally speaking, it will be slightly north of Powell until it reaches 82nd, then it will veer off to the south.

Wolfe spoke at a Gresham Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Donald Robertson and Jerry A. Wills

announce the formation of a partnership with Sidney A. Bartels and R. Alan McEachern for the general practice of law in Sandy.

The firm will be known as ROBERTSON, WILLS, BARTELS & McEACHERN, and will be located in the former law offices of Howeller and Howeller at 501 Proctor, Sandy, Oregon. This office will be opened in conjunction with their Rockwood office at 18448 S.E. Pine, Portland.

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Poet Ass'n Has Contest

Entries are now being accepted by the Oregon State Poetry Assn. in its 1963 Poetry Contest. Deadline is Sept. 15. The contest is open only to members of the association. Membership is available by mailing dues of \$2 to the treasurer, Miss H. Genevieve Metcalf, 2309 Markle Ave., Vancouver, Wash.

Each person may enter only one poem in the contest and length is limited to 50 lines, but there are no restrictions on style or subject matter. It must be the original, unpublished work of the sender.

An entrant must submit three typewritten copies of the poem, anonymously, and enclose a sealed envelope with title of poem on the outside and author's name, address and telephone number on the inside. No poem will be returned and all poems remain the property of the authors, except that prize winners may be printed in local newspapers for a period of 30 days after the awarding of the prizes.

First prize is \$15, second, \$10, and third, \$5. Versewriters Poetry Society offers an award of \$7 for an inspirational poem. Entries may be sent to W. Boggs, president, OSPA, 653 D Ave., Lake Oswego. Envelopes should be marked "Contest."

APPLE, NUT CROP

Apples and walnuts appear to be the only tree crops in the state with prospects for a larger harvest this year. Oregon's apple crop may top 1962 by 9 per cent and there may be 17 per cent more walnuts than last year's short crop.



Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Brandenberg of Eagle Creek announce the engagement of their daughter, Nancy Ann, to Michael Joseph Grier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael F. Grier of Estacada. Both were graduated from Estacada high school.

Dialing Damascus

By Frances Doney

Plans for the Damascus Grange County Fair booth are progressing well. Discussion on the booth were held during the regular social meeting at Damascus Grange, July 27.

Mrs. O. E. Peterson urged members to finish fancy work for showing at the fair, and also reminded members that there is still time to enter the canning contest, and the apron contest.

The Lecturer's program consisted of readings, by Mrs. Henry Snyder, Mrs. Estelle Peterson, Mrs. Marilyn Bader and Mrs. Erna Batcheller.

Next meeting will be held Aug. 19 at 8:30 p.m. Randy Winters is home from the hospital. He was hospitalized for several days at the Gresham hospital, recovering from injuries sustained in a bicycle accident.

The Martin Andersens and Mike Kherli family visited at the J. D. Seals home, in Vancouver. The Seals have just recently moved into their new home. The occasion was to celebrate Douglas Seals' and Heidi Kherli's birthdays; grandchildren of the Andersens.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mayer have returned home from a trip to Mt. Shasta, Calif., where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mayer. The two men are brothers and the women are sisters.

Farm Purchased

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dwyre have purchased the Hubert Hutchcroft, a farm. Three daughters will attend the Damascus-Union school, and one son will attend Gresham high school. Dwyre is a truck driver for United Grocers.

The Hutchcrofts have purchased a home in Stafford and expect to move by the end of the month.

Mrs. Edgar Grohn has returned home from a five day trip along the coast highway. She visited with friends at Coos Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hoard have purchased the Howard Christensen place and will move soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Christensen and daughter Terrie are moving to Seattle.

Surprise Party

It was on a bright Thursday afternoon, July 25, that 35 guests arrived at the home of Mrs. Rose Laye, surprising her on her 80th birthday.

The honored guest was showered with cards, hankies, flower-plants, bouquets of flowers. The ladies brought cakes, which they served with coffee, tea, punch and ice cream.

Thursday evening, Mrs. Laye

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attended a birthday dinner at 7 p.m., at the Paul Schweizer home, celebrating five birthdays. Four birthdays were in the Schweizer family, Ruth Lund, and son, Eric, and Esther Mosier, Charlene Schweizer and Mrs. Laye's birthday.

Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Laye were Mr. and Mrs. Smith Allison of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake DeYoung attended the Sandy Pioneer picnic July 28. There was a crowd, many were old timers and old settlers. Program consisted of readings, songs, and the George Hale accordion band.

From the Sandy picnic, the DeYongs went to the Carver Pioneer picnic. They went through the Baker's Cabin museum.

A/C and Mrs. Lawrence M. Hampton and family arrived by plane two weeks ago from the Philippines, where he was stationed for 20 months.

They are visiting with her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Harris, of this area, and her sisters' families and brother Keith's family, also with his folks.

They have a month's leave. On Aug. 22 they will leave for Washington, D. C. where he is being transferred. They have four children, two girls, Bobbi Rae, and Jeanene, and twin sons, Leland and Leroy.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tubbs entertained at a reunion of the following relatives — Mr. and Mrs. Sauvain from Woodburn, Ms. Marie McIntyre, Mrs. Elsie Petit, from Oregon City, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lease from Oak Grove, Mrs. Ethel



Dean Coffey was hired as police chief for the city of Sandy beginning August 1. He comes from Tacoma where he was on the police force for six and a half years. (Sandy Post photo)



LINDA DAHRENS, DANNY DAHRENS AND 'PEPPY'



'BEANO' AND JOHN MILLS

Sauvain, of Seattle. Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. David Cameron and family arrived and brought along a young Greek sailor.

The Martins just returned to Damascus following two weeks of vacationing in Northwestern Montana, at Kalispell. A highlight of their trip was the 20-year reunion of Martin's high school graduating class on July 27. Martin emceed, along with other former class presidents.

Mrs. Martin's mother, brothers' and sisters' families were visited, as well as the family of Pastor Martin's younger sister. A day was spent in Glacier National Park, and two days at Flathead lake.

Dale Hall, who lives in Mrs. Mable Wescott's apartment, has gone to Chubbatt, Ida., for a two-week engagement, with her folk - dancing and Lovebird act.

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Oxbow Park Area Closed to Public

Oxbow Park on the Sandy River east of Gresham will be closed to the public as of next Monday because of fire danger.

Closure was announced Wednesday by Robert Bonney, county park superintendent. He said the park is heavily wooded and the presence of picnickers would constitute a fire hazard.

Although development of the park by a 200-boy crew began only this summer and facilities are still scanty, there have been visitors to the area.

MOST CROPS DOWN

When the 1963 harvest is over and final counts made, Oregon growers expect to find smaller fruit, nut, vegetable and feed grain crops, but more wheat and hay.

Sandy Assembly of God

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
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